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Sessions of the Detroit Annual Conference.

Set off from the Michigan Conference by the General Conference of 1856.

No.	DATE.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1	September 17, 1856.....	Adrian.....	Morris	S. Reed.
2	September 2, 1857.....	Port Huron.....	Waugh.....	S. Reed.
3	September 8, 1858.....	Ypsilanti.....	Baker.....	S. Reed.
4	September 28, 1859.....	Pontiac.....	Janes	S. Reed.
5	September 26, 1860.....	Dexter	Morris.....	S. Clements.
6	September 25, 1861.....	Detroit.....	Ames	S. Clements.
7	September 24, 1862.....	Ann Arbor.....	Scott	S. Clements.
8	September 16, 1863.....	Romeo	Simpson.....	S. Clements.
9	September 14, 1864.....	Adrian.....	Baker	W. H. Perrine.
10	September 13, 1865.....	Flint.....	Clark	W. H. Perrine.
11	September 5, 1866.....	Hudson.....	Ames	E. H. Pilcher.
12	September 4, 1867.....	Saginaw City.....	Janes	E. H. Pilcher.
13	August 26, 1868.....	Ann Arbor.....	Ames	C. C. Yemans.
14	September 1, 1869.....	Detroit.....	Scott	A. Edwards.
15	August 24, 1870.....	Fenton.....	Clark	A. Edwards.
16	September 13, 1871.....	Monroe	Simpson.....	A. Edwards.
17	September 4, 1872.....	East Saginaw.....	Ames	A. Edwards.
18	September 3, 1873.....	Ypsilanti.....	Wiley	A. Edwards.
19	September 2, 1874.....	Romeo	Simpson.....	A. Edwards.
20	September 1, 1875.....	Flint.....	Harris	A. Edwards.
21	August 30, 1876.....	Detroit.....	Ames	A. Edwards.
22	September 5, 1877.....	Adrian.....	Foster.....	A. Edwards.
23	September 11, 1878.....	Ann Arbor.....	Merrill.....	A. Edwards.
24	September 10, 1879.....	Ann Arbor.....	Bowman.....	A. Edwards.
25	September 8, 1880.....	Bay City.....	Andrews.....	A. Edwards.
26	September 14, 1881.....	Port Huron.....	Wiley	J. McEldowney.
27	September 13, 1882.....	Detroit.....	Peck.....	J. McEldowney.
28	September 12, 1883.....	Flint.....	Harris	J. McEldowney.
29	September 17, 1884.....	East Saginaw.....	Ninde.....	J. McEldowney.
30	September 10, 1885.....	Pontiac	Warren.....	J. McEldowney.
31	September 9, 1886.....	Adrian	Hurst.....	J. C. Wortley.

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Thirty-First Annual Session

IN FULL.

FIRST DAY.

ADRIAN, Thursday, September 9th, 1886.

The Detroit Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church met in the city of Adrian, Mich., September 9th, 1886.

By arrangement of the Local Committee on Worship, a sacramental service was held on Wednesday evening. Bishop Hurst consecrated, and the Presiding Elders distributed the elements. The services were inspiring and impressive.

The Thirty-first Annual Session was called to order by Bishop John F. Hurst, who occupied the chair and conducted its opening religious services.

The 53d Chapter of Isaiah was read, and the 707th Hymn was sung. The Bishop led the Conference in prayer.

In opening the business of the Conference, the Bishop said it was his chief concern and delight to do the will of God, and congratulated the Conference on their history and temperance work in the State. He considered the work of the pastor the highest of all work in dignity, and the nearest heaven.

Rev. Dr. McEldowney, Secretary of the last Conference, was requested to call the roll, and the following members answered to their names:

George Taylor, Daniel C. Jacokes, William E. Bigelow, T. C. Gardner, J. E. Parker, David A. Curtis, Frederick W. Warren, Seth Reed, Robert Bird, James S. Smart, S. Clements, T. J. Joslin, L. R. Fiske, David B. Tracy, C. M. Anderson, A. J. Bigelow, William G. Burnett, L. C. York, T. C. Higgins, Jesse Kilpatrick, John Wesley, Arthur Edwards, George W.

Lowe, W. M. Triggs, T. G. Potter, Lewis S. Tedman, William J. Campbell, William J. Clack, T. Nichols, William H. Benton, C. L. Church, William H. Shier, J. M. Gordon, Jacob Horton, J. A. McIlwain, H. S. White, J. S. Joslin, John McEldowney, J. G. Morgan, Isaac Johnston. James Balls, Lemon Barnes, E. W. Frazee, Joseph Frazer, H. W. Hicks, R. C. Lanning, A. J. Richards, Charles Simpson, J. E. Withey, L. L. Houghton, C. T. Allen, J. M. Fuller, Joel B. Goss, J. H. McIntosh, Alonzo Whitcomb, Andrew W. Wilson, David Casler, John Hamilton, J. G. Sparling, F. E. Pearce, J. H. Kilpatrick, Horace Palmer, J. C. Wortley, John M. Van Every, Duke Whitely, John L. Walker, Daniel R. Shier, D. B. Millar, Daniel J. Odell, Franklin Bradley, D. N. Clark, Rolin Woodhams, George Nixon, Calvin Gibbs, E. P. Peirce, H. C. Northrup, L. P. Davis, William Dawe, William M. Campbell, R. L. Cope, James L. Hudson, L. N. Moon, Daniel W. Giberson, J. F. Berry, J. J. Hodge, I. H. Riddick, J. M. Ker-ridge, H. W. Wright, Alphonso Crane, John Sweet, J. H. McCune, Francis Berry, John M. Shank, Orton F. Winton, William J. Bailey, M. C. Hawks, J. B. Oliver, L. E. Lennox, T. P. Barnum, E. B. Bancroft, Eugene Yager, M. H. Bartram, William W. Benson, M. W. Gifford, C. E. Benson, T. G. Huckle, W. W. Ramsay, William Smith, C. M. Thompson, J. D. Hubbell, W. H. Poole, C. M. Cobern, Samuel Gilchriese, P. R. Parrish, Benjamin Reeves, Austin Wilson, R. S. Robinson, C. W. Barnum, C. B. Spencer, C. E. Hill, George W. Jennings, E. W. Ryan, Jesse Robbins, James A. Lowry, M. H. McMahon, A. H. DeLong, S. L. Polkinhorne, Samuel Weir, W. B. Pope, A. P. DeLong, William W. Ward, Robert H. Balmer, Philander Wager, S. P. Warner, Thomas Stalker, W. W. Case, J. W. Kennedy, Samuel Plantz, Guy M. Bigelow, F. L. Osborne, S. A. Oliver, A. A. Wood, J. D. Halliday, H. G. Persons, C. B. Clark, David H. Yokam.

A motion was made to elect a Secretary by ballot.

The following were nominated: T. C. Gardner, J. C. Wortley, A. Edwards, John McEldowney, T. G. Potter.

A. Edwards withdrew his name.

J. S. Smart, A. Edwards, J. F. Berry and W. W. Case were appointed as Tellers for the Conference.

The bar of the Conference was fixed so as to extend to the outside of the third window from the altar.

The rules of last year were adopted for the present session.

A motion was made for the Conference to meet at 8 A. M. and adjourn at 11.30, standard time.

The Bishop announced the transfer of Rev. W. W. Case from East Ohio to the Detroit Conference, and introduced Bro. Case to the Conference.

The Standing Committees nominated at the last session of the Conference were read. Some changes were made, and were adopted, as follows:

- Education*—J. C. Wortley, C. B. Spencer, L. E. Lennox.
Stewards—J. M. Gordon, E. E. Caster, O. Whitmore.
Missions—Presiding Elders.
Bible Cause—J. F. Berry, P. R. Parrish, J. B. Goss.
Temperance—C. T. Allen, Roland Woodhams, G. W. Jennings.
Sanctity of the Sabbath—J. M. Fuller, I. R. Springer, L. N. Moon.
Parsonages—S. P. Warner, J. E. Jacklin, J. G. Morgan.
Post Offices—F. Coates, S. Plantz, C. Gibbs, O. F. Winton, James Ivey, N. G. Lyons, F. A. Smart.
Memoirs—John Russell, Samuel Clements, L. R. Fiske.
Mission Auditors—J. P. Varner, H. S. White, James Halliday.
Sunday Schools—J. M. Kerridge, C. W. Austin, D. R. Shier.
Church Extension—W. H. Poole, C. Simpson, A. B. Wood.
Freedmen's Aid—I. H. Riddick, C. W. Barnum, Jesse Kilpatrick.
Periodicals—Joseph Frazer, J. S. Smart, James Venning.
Statistician—E. B. Bancroft.
Conference Claimants—W. H. Benton, John Sweet, G. W. Lowe, J. L. Hudson, A. R. Bartlett, O. Whitmore, Samuel Bird, J. H. McIntosh.
Debts Due the Book Concern—O. Whitmore, J. G. Sparling, E. W. Frazee.
Treasurer—J. L. Hudson.
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society—H. C. Northrup, M. C. Hawks, T. G. Huckle.
Woman's Home Missionary Society—W. W. Ramsay, W. W. Washburn, J. H. McIntosh.
Conference Relations—W. H. Shier, A. Edwards, Jesse Kilpatrick, J. Fuller, T. W. Warren, C. T. Allen, D. C. Jacokes.

The Presiding Elders were appointed to nominate Standing Committees for next year.

J. F. Berry reported the ballot taken for Secretary, as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 136; J. C. Wortley, 64; J. McEldowney, 36; J. L. Hudson, 9; T. C. Gardner, 8; C. H. Morgan, 6; A. Edwards, 8; scattering, 5.

The report of the Tellers showed no election.

After a reconsideration of the motion to elect a Secretary by ballot, it was moved—as J. C. Wortley had the largest number of votes—that he be elected by acclamation. The motion prevailed, and he was declared elected.

Dr. McEldowney acknowledged the kindness of the Confer-

ence towards him during the five years he had served as Secretary.

By a rising vote of thanks the Conference expressed its appreciation of Dr. McEldowney's excellent service.

Dr. L. R. Fiske read a communication on the case of N. L. Guthrie, and moved the appointment of a Special Committee to which the communication should be referred for consideration and report as soon as possible. The motion prevailed, and the following were appointed as the committee: T. G. Potter, J. S. Smart, L. R. Fiske, W. E. Bigelow, Jesse Kilpatrick.

W. H. Hicks was appointed as Official Reporter of the proceedings of the Conference.

J. S. Smart presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Temperance is requested to embody in its report a clear statement of the teachings of the Discipline upon the subject, including the action of the General Conference of 1884.

The resolution was adopted.

John Hamilton offered a request that the Conference appoint some hour for a public meeting on temperance. The request was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Public Worship.

The Bishop presented communications from the Freedman's Aid Society, from the Garrett Biblical Institute, from the Boston University and from the Board of Education, all of which were referred to the proper committees.

A communication from the National Association of Local Preachers was presented by Bishop Hurst, which, after the appointment of J. H. Riddick and J. P. Goss as a committee for its consideration, was referred.

Rev. Dr. Spencer was introduced to the Conference, and represented the interests and claims of the Church Extension Society.

The Bishop announced the 20th question of the Discipline, viz.: Was the character of each preacher examined?

The character of John McEldowney was examined and passed. As Presiding Elder he represented the Detroit District.

The character of the following preachers on the Detroit District was examined and passed: L. C. York, G. W. Lowe, S. Bird, S. E. Warren, W. W. Washburn, W. S. Studley, W. Dawe, H. C. Northrup, C. B. Spencer, E. W. Ryan, L. E. Lennox, O. W. Willitts, W. Cook, J. S. Joslin, L. L. Houghton, F. E. Pearce, M. W. Gifford, C. T. Allen, R. C. Lanning, B. B. Rogers, F. Bradley, S. P. Warner, D. B. Millar, J. M. Shank, J. C. Wortley, James Rose, I. E. Springer, A. Edwards, L. R. Fiske, J. S. Smart, D. C. Jacokes, F. Berry, A. F. Hoyt, H. O. Parker.

Rev. Dr. Gray was introduced and addressed the Conference on the work and needs of the Freedmen's Aid Society.

On motion, the time ordered for adjournment of Conference was extended indefinitely.

Dr. L. R. Fiske read the following report:

To the Bishop and Members of the Detroit Conference:

The Committee to which was referred the application of Rev. N. L. Guthrie for the restoration of his parchments, reports that, in view of all the facts which have come before them, they unanimously recommend that the application be granted and his parchments be restored.

ADRIAN, Sept. 9, 1886.

L. R. FISKE,
J. S. SMART,
T. G. POTTER,
N. E. BIGELOW,
JESSE KILPATRICK.

The report, after some discussion, was adopted.

Rev. W. H. Shier was appointed to conduct the devotional services at the opening of the session to-morrow morning.

After the announcement of the names of the chairmen of committees, and the giving of notices of meetings, the Conference adjourned with the doxology. The benediction was pronounced by Dr. Smart.

SECOND DAY.

ADRIAN, Friday, Sept. 10, 1886.

The religious services of the Second Session of the Conference were conducted by Rev. W. H. Shier. The 19th Psalm was read, and the first hymn in the Hymnal was sung. Bishop Hurst in the chair.

The minutes of the first day's proceedings were read, corrected and adopted.

The list of absentees from the Conference, yesterday, was read, and the following brethren answered to their names:

Ebenezer Steele, John Russell, Francis A. Blades, John W. Crippen, Samuel Bird, Squire E. Warren, Chas. W. Austin, Aaron R. Laing, Albert B. Clough, W. W. Washburn, W. E. Dunning, N. S. Lyons, Henry Nankervis, Alva G. Blood, James E. Jacklin, Alexander J. Holmes, C. H. Morgan, J. E. Springer, E. A. Bray, Thomas B. McGee, B. C. Moore, G. W. Hudson, Walter Marks, Philip Lowry, James Rose, Geo. W. Carter, H. King, Wm. Will, James Ivey, J. P. Fryar.

J. B. Phillips, agent of the New York Book Concern, was introduced, and addressed the Conference. The payment of dues can be made at the Detroit Depository.

Rev. W. H. Shier offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Book Depository at Detroit has become a necessity to Michigan Methodism; therefore,

Resolved, That we will do all we can to increase its business and assure its financial success.

Resolved, That the General Book Committee be requested to continue its connection with the New York Book Concern.

That we recognize the eminent fitness of Bro. Burke for the place he occupies in the Detroit Book Depository, and trust that he will be continued therein.

W. H. SHIER,
J. S. SMART.

Rev. J. S. Holmes, of the Baptist Church in the city, was introduced to the Conference.

The Statistical Secretary announced that many of the preachers had not yet handed in their reports.

Rev. Dr. Fiske presented a report from the Board of Trustees of Albion College, which was referred to the Committee on Education.

Rev. J. A. McIlwain was appointed Assistant Secretary. Rev. W. Dawe was appointed the Financial Secretary, and Rev. D. B. Tracey was appointed the Railway Secretary of the Conference:

The following were elected as Assistant Statistical Secretaries:

J. M. Shank,	-	-	-	-	-	Detroit District.
Alfonso Crane,	-	-	-	-	-	Adrian "
G. A. Walker,	-	-	-	-	-	Pt. Huron "
T. B. Barnum,	-	-	-	-	-	Flint "
G. M. Bigelow,	-	-	-	-	-	Alpena "
S. Gilchriese,	-	-	-	-	-	Saginaw "
S. Polkinhorne,	-	-	-	-	-	Marquette "

Rev. W. Dawe made a statement with reference to the publication of the Minutes, and offered some resolutions sent by the Ministerial Union of Detroit. The resolutions were referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Dr. McEldowney asked a change in the Conference relation of L. C. York, and he was granted a superannuated relation.

A supernumerary relation was asked for Rev. B. B. Rogers and Rev. James Rose, and was granted.

Rev. Dr. Fiske called the attention of the Conference to the fact that the law of the State required a meeting of the Corporate Conference on the second day of the session.

Rev. L. Barnes was granted a superannuated relation.

The character of Rev. T. J. Joslin was examined and passed. He represented the Adrian District. The character of the following effective Elders was examined and passed: Alfonso Crane, W. W. Case, W. W. Ramsay, M. H. McMahon, S. A. Bray, W. E. Dunning, John A. McIlwain, E. P. Pearce, D. A. Curtis, W. M. Campbell, D. H. Yokom, O. F. Winton, J. B. Kerridge, D. W. Giberson, J. L. Hudson, A. W. Whitcomb, D. R. Shier, I. Johnston, D. J. Odell, C. M. Coburn, J. G. Morgan, Leman Barnes, John Wesley, W. J. Clack, W. H. Benton, T. G. Potter.

Rev. W. E. Dunning, on account of failing health, asked and received a supernumerary relation.

The character of Seth Reed was examined and passed. He represented the Flint District.

The character of the following effective Elders was examined and passed: J. E. Withey, C. L. Church, L. S. Tedman, Charles Simpson, Joseph Frazer, I. N. Elwood, H. S. White, John Sweet, Jesse Kilpatrick, E. E. Caster, W. M. Ward, J. B. Goss, T. P. Barnum, F. W. Warren, E. B. Bancroft, C. S. Eastman, C. E. Benson, J. H. Kilpatrick, M. H. Bartram, J. H. Van Every, J. A. Rowe, J. D. Hubbell, C. W. Austin, Eugene Yager, John Hamilton, Horace Palmer, J. J. Hodge, Calvin Gibbs, J. H. Caster.

A letter from Rev. I. N. Elwood was read, stating that his health had not improved as he had hoped it would. He therefore asked a supernumerary relation, which was granted.

Rev. J. B. Goss asked a superannuated relation, which was granted.

The character of A. J. Bigelow was examined and passed. He represented the Saginaw District. The character of the effective Elders in the District was examined and passed: R. Woodhams, J. E. Jacklin, R. D. Robinson, I. H. Rid-dick, J. B. Russell, J. H. McCune, S. Gilchriese, W. W. Benson, N. N. Clark, C. H. Morgan, B. C. Moore, J. B. Oliver, A. G. Blood, N. Dickey, C. M. Thompson, Jas. Balls, L. N. Moon, Thomas Stalker, H. W. Hicks, John P. Fryar, James Venning, Benjamin Reeve, Duke Whitely, R. L. Cope, E. W. Frazee.

Rev. J. B. Russell asked a supernumerary relation, which was granted.

The character of Jacob Horton was examined and passed. He represented the Port Huron District. The character of the effective Elders was examined and passed: G. W. Jennings, T. G. Huckle, Austin Wilson, J. M. Gordon, Geo. Nixon, A. J. Holmes, J. G. Whitcomb, Walter Marks, J. F. Berry, Thomas Nichols, W. J. Campbell, Henry Nankervis, W. J. Bailey, W. H. Shier, F. E. York, Fred. Coates, O. J. Perrin.

The death of two preachers, viz: Lewis R. Mitchel and J. Dobbins was reported.

The death of two of the preachers' wives, viz: Mrs. J. W. Campbell and Mrs. J. W. Whitcomb was also reported.

Dr. Fiske requested the appointment of J. F. Berry as associate editor of the *Michigan Christian Advocate*.

Rev. T. C. Carter, D. D., of the Holstein Conference, was introduced, and addressed the Conference on the work of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the South. A collection was ordered, and the amount raised was \$58.35.

Dr. Fiske moved a recess of Conference for the purpose of holding a session of the Corporate Conference. The motion prevailed.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF DETROIT CORPORATE CONFERENCE.

Dr. Fiske in the chair. The Secretary, S. Reed, presented the report of the Board of Trustees of the Conference.

The Trustees of the Detroit Conference beg leave to report:

The Treasurer, Rev. I. N. Elwood, was obliged in April last to leave his charge and go abroad on account of sickness, anticipating a return within three months. He left with the Secretary a list of the notes and interest which would mature within that time, and which the Secretary has collected. The Conference books he locked in his private drawer.

His sickness has been protracted, and though he has hoped to return in time to make his annual statement to this Conference, yet he is disappointed, and we are without the statement.

It will be remembered, however, that at the last Conference the amount reported for interest and principal of the Winter's Fund was \$16,081.62. The amount drawn and disbursed last year was \$900, leaving as a capital to commence the present year, \$15,181.62. This sum has been invested during the year, as nearly as could be, at an average of about 7 per cent. on the loans, and 3 per cent. on deposits.

At the annual meeting of the trustees it was thought safe to recommend to the Conference that the sum of \$900 from the interest account of the Winter's Fund be turned over to the interest account of the Superannuated Preacher's Aid Society, to be disbursed according to the rules of that society. In this recommendation the Treasurer concurs by a letter just received from him.

The Trustees have pleasure in informing the Conference that they have received from Geo. O. Robinson and Helen M. Robinson, his wife, of Detroit, a warranty deed to two lots, viz: Lots 11 and 12, in Block 46 of Robinson's Plat, in the village of Roscommon, Mich., together with the

home thereon, to be used for parsonage purposes when needed, and when not so needed, to be used for the superannuated members of the Detroit Conference as its Trustees may direct. Also, from the same parties, a warranty deed of two lots, viz: Lots 3 and 4, in Block 3 of A. J. Comstock's addition No. 1, in the City of Adrian, Mich., to be used for the benefit of the superannuated preachers of the Detroit Conference as the Trustees may direct.

The committee having in charge the Conference Lot in Glenwood Cemetery, Flint, report the lot in good condition, though they are not prepared at this session to recommend such plans for improving the lot as they hope to do in the future.

The terms of office, as Trustees, of A. F. Bourns, L. R. Fiske and C. T. Allen expires the present year, and the Board respectfully nominate the same for re-election.

Respectfully submitted,

S. REED, *Secretary.*

The report was, on motion, adopted.

The Secretary, S. Reed, was instructed to cast the ballot of the Conference for the election of Trustees, which was done. Rev. C. T. Allen, L. R. Fiske and A. F. Bourns were elected.

The Conference, with a vote of thanks, accepted the gift of Geo. O. Robinson, of Detroit, Mich..

On motion the corporate Conference adjourned.

The Annual Conference resumed its session, Bishop Hurst in the chair. The time of adjournment was extended.

Rev. James Rogers, A. M., of Mt. Union Seminary, was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

Rev. Dr. A. A. Gillett, general agent of the Sunday School Department of the South and West, was introduced, and addressed the Conference on the work assigned him in the South.

Rev. Thomas Stalker was appointed to conduct religious services on Saturday morning.

Notices were given, appointments made, the Doxology was sung, and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Rev. Dr. Luther Lee, of Flint.

THIRD DAY.

ADRIAN, Saturday, September 11th, 1886.

In the absence of Rev. Thomas Stalker, appointed to conduct religious services, a general prayer meeting was held.

Bishop Hurst in the chair.

The minutes of the second day's session were read and approved.

J. S. Smart was appointed to conduct religious services on Monday morning.

On motion, the farther daily reading of the Conference roll was ordered discontinued.

Rev. O. J. Perrin, O. W. Willitts and L. B. Clark explained to the Conference the reasons of their late attendance, and asked that their names might appear in the Minutes as present from date. The request was granted.

Permission was given to the Secretary to insert in the Minutes of the first day's proceedings a notice of the Sacramental services on Wednesday evening.

The character of L. P. Davis was examined and passed. He represented the Alpena District.

The character of the following effective Elders was examined and passed: J. H. McIntosh, N. G. Lyons, T. B. Leith, C. E. Hill, R. H. Balmer, M. C. Hawks, P. J. Wright, A. J. Richards.

When the name of W. H. Poole was called, it was stated that the Conference record respecting his appointment and relation to the Conference was incomplete. Wherefore a committee, consisting of S. Clements, W. E. Bigelow, A. Edwards, J. S. Smart and R. Bird, was appointed to examine and report upon such alleged errors, with any other inaccuracies in last year's record, and W. H. Poole's name was laid over until that committee shall make their report.

The 14th Disciplinary question was asked.

The character of Michael H. McMahon, Arthur H. DeLong, Samuel Weir, Allen P. DeLong, George A. Walker, James A.

Lowry, Stephen Polkinghorn, William B. Pope, Charles W. Barnum, Francis J. Galbraith and Andrew Ebling was examined and passed, and they were elected to Elder's orders.

A. Ebling and Francis J. Galbraith were elected Local Elders.

Wang Ching Yung, now in China, was elected to Elder's orders.

The character of Charles M. Stuart, John Bettles and Horace G. Persons was examined and passed. They were continued as Deacons of the second class.

Henry E. Wolfe was reported as a supply for the Court Street Church in Flint, and as still intending to continue his studies.

Philip Price and George S. Davis were reported absent, attending school, and their present relation was continued.

A. J. Meade, agent of the American Bible Society in Michigan and Wisconsin; Prof. Bradley, of Evanston; Dr. Stowe, of the Western Book Concern; Brethren Peitzel and Bray, of the Michigan Conference, and F. B. Cressey, editor of "The Center," Prohibition paper in Detroit, were introduced to the Conference.

The 5th Disciplinary question was asked.

The character of William Kitchen, George H. Hopkins and James B. Lucas (already an Elder), Leonard Hazard (whose orders as Deacon and Elder were recognized) and John Goodson was examined and passed, and they were admitted into full connection.

Henry Cartledge was reported withdrawn, and his parchments were returned.

The parchments of John I. Nickerson, an Elder in the Wesleyan Church in Canada, were recognized, and he was admitted into full connection.

The character of John Wright was examined and passed. He was admitted into full connection and requested to complete his studies in history and logic.

The agent of the Book Concern reported a dividend of the profits of the Concern in favor of the Conference claimants

amounting to \$500.87. The order for that amount was accepted, and placed in the hands of George W. Lowe for the committee.

A draft of \$30.00 on the Chartered Fund was presented by Bishop Hurst, accepted by the Conference, and placed in the hands of O. Whitmore.

F. B. Cressey, editor of "The Center," addressed the Conference.

Notices were given, appointments announced, the Doxology sung, and Conference adjourned with the benediction by A. Edwards.

FOURTH DAY.

ADRIAN, Sunday, September 12th, 1886.

The Conference love feast was held in the Broad Street M. E. Church, and conducted by Rev. W. C. Way. A collection of \$115.00 was taken for the benefit of the worn-out preachers.

The sermon by Bishop Hurst at 10.30 A. M. was followed by the ordination of twelve Deacons. The Doxology was sung, and the benediction was pronounced by Dr. Stowe.

The memorial service in honor of our dead was held at 2.30 P. M.; opened with prayer by Rev. S. Clements and the reading of selections of Scripture by Dr. L. R. Fiske. Obituaries were read by Rev. J. Russell, of James F. Davidson, Erastus R. Hascall, Lewis Mitchell and Jacob Dobbins; also of Martha Campbell, wife of Rev. W. J. Campbell, Elizabeth S. Whitcomb, wife of John G. Whitcomb, and of Elvira Campbell, wife of Rev. W. M. Campbell.

The ordination of nine Traveling and two Local Elders occurred immediately after the memorial services, conducted by Bishop Hurst, assisted by several Elders. Services closed with benediction by Rev. W. H. Shier.

A missionary meeting was held in the evening, addressed by Dr. Thoburn and Bishop Hurst.

FIFTH DAY.

ADRIAN, Monday, September 13th, 1886.

Opening religious services were conducted by J. S. Smart.
Bishop Hurst in the chair.

The minutes of Saturday's proceedings were read, amended and approved.

A. Edwards moved that the report of the Committee on Memoirs be adopted.

The character of David Casler was examined and passed. He represented the Marquette District.

The character of J. M. Fuller, A. W. Wilson, George W. Hudson, W. E. Bigelow, J. S. Mitchell, George H. Hastings, J. P. Varner, J. L. Walker, R. Pattison, A. R. Bartlett, G. C. Squire, A. S. Fair, Leonard Hazard, T. G. Omans, John Evans and O. Whitmore was examined and passed.

George H. Hastings and Henry W. Thompson were granted a supernumerary relation.

T. G. Omans was at his own request granted a superannuated relation.

A communication from Fargo, Dak., representing the character and work of Isaac Wilcox, was received.

The committee appointed to consider and report upon alleged errors in the Conference record of 1885 made their report, which was adopted.

It was ordered that the report be made a part of this day's record.

Your Committee appointed to investigate certain inaccuracies in the Journal of the session of this Conference in 1885 respectfully report:

We find :

1. That the Journal contains a minute to the effect that Rev. W. H. Poole was granted a supernumerary relation at his own request, and that that name is included among those entered on the list which serves as an answer to Question 18—"Who are the supernumerary preachers?"

2. That in the appointments recorded in the Journal, Cheboygan, in Alpena District, is entered as having been left to be supplied.

3. In the list of transfers to this Conference the name of W. W. Case is recorded as having been transferred from East Ohio Conference, and that name is entered as if that Brother was appointed pastor at Adrian at the time when all other appointments were made.

4. That in the list of transfers from this to other Conferences the name of John Wilson is entered as if that Brother was transferred before adjournment.

With respect to these several entries your Committee have made due inquest, and in the light of the personal testimony and relating documents which your Committee were authorized to procure, we find :

1. That Rev. W. H. Poole was not granted a supernumerary relation by due vote of this Conference during the session of 1885, and that, therefore, his name should not have been included in the supernumerary list as determined at that session.

2. That Rev. W. H. Poole was duly and at the usual time appointed pastor at Cheboygan, in Alpena District, and that, therefore, that charge is improperly entered as having been left to be supplied.

3. That W. W. Case was not transferred to this Conference until after the close of the session of 1885, and that therefore his name should not have appeared either in the list of appointments or of transfers to this Conference as printed in the Journal of 1885.

4. John Wilson not having been transferred away from this Conference during the last session, his name ought to appear in the roll of members of the Conference, and should have been included in the list of supernumeraries, he having been granted that relation during the session of 1885.

In view of these facts, ascertained as above stated, we suggest :

1. That the Journal does not correspond to the actual facts as determined by the real proceedings of this body at the session of 1885

2. That the text of the Journal of the session of 1885 was changed after adjournment to make it correspond with certain personal changes which were supposed to have taken place legally and properly after the adjournment.

3. Whatever may be said or thought of those changes, the text of the Journal should have been preserved strictly and sacredly as it was shaped by the business of the session, and as it was ordained by its approval by this body in open session prior to final adjournment.

4. While the Discipline authorizes the President of this Conference to certify to the correctness of the accurate Journal of this body, a presiding Bishop may not, after adjournment, authorize the Secretary to amend or alter the Journal in any particular so that it shall represent or record any item of business that was not actually transacted in open session prior to adjournment.

5. It is the duty of the Secretary of this body to make an accurate record of actual business duly transacted in open session, and he is not at liberty, under any circumstances, to enter in the Journal any business not thus duly transacted.

S. CLEMENTS,
W. E. BIGELOW,
ARTHUR EDWARDS.
J. S. SMART,
R. BIRD.

The 18th Disciplinary question was asked, viz: "Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?" and answered as follows: W. H. Poole, William Allington, G. W. Owen, H. Hodskiss, J. E. Parker, C. H. Talmadge, J. H. Curnalia, George B. Benedict, Horace G. Persons, I. N. Elwood, W. E. Dunning, Benjamin B. Rogers, J. B. Russell, J. B. Goss, James S. Rose and A. B. Clough.

The character of the above was examined and passed.

The character of the following was examined and passed, and they were made effective. viz: A. B. Wood, P. R. Parish, H. A. Merrill, H. W. Wright, William Smith, J. E. Whalen, J. H. Morton, O. Sanborn.

The Nineteenth Question, viz: "Who are the Superannuated Preachers?" was taken up and answered as follows:

The character of the following was examined and passed, and their relation continued: E. H. Pilcher, J. W. Holt, Wesley Hagadorn, Thos. Seelye, A. R. Laing, R. Bird, D. B. Tracey, F. A. Blades, R. McConnell, E. Klumph, R. C. Crane, J. M. Johnson, S. B. Kimmell, S. Calkins, M. B. Wilsey, Wm. Benson, Hiram Hood, M. Hickey, J. B. Varnum, Andrew Bell, Luther Lee, T. Wakelin, T. H. Baskerville, Alex. Gee, D. W. Hammond, S. Clements, I. W. Donaldson, Eli Westlake. T. C. Gardner, George Taylor, Wm. Taylor, H. N. Brown, E. Steele, W. M. Triggs, J. S. Sutton, S. J. Brown, A. F. Bourns, A. Allen, B. H. Hedger, N. Newton, J. R. Noble, Wm. Tuttle, B. F. Pritchard, E. H. Brockway, W. Q. Burnett, G. M. Lyon, Wm. Birdsall, J. W. Crippen, R. Gage, T. Wilkinson, B. S. Taylor, John Russell, S. L. Ramsdell, J. A. Dunlap, T. C. Higgins, C. M. Anderson, M. J. Scott, P. O. Johnson, W. Donnelly,

L. H. Dean, George Stowe, L. C. York, T. G. Omans, Leman Barnes, J. H. Caster, J. B. Goss.

E. R. Hascall, Lewis Mitchell, James F. Davidson and Jacob Dobbins died during the year.

The following resolution was offered by C. H. Morgan, and adopted:

Resolved, That inasmuch as it is very desirable that the Conference should be in possession of full information in reference to the standing and qualifications of brethren who may come to us from other bodies, they be respectfully requested to refer their credentials to the Committee on Conference Relations.

Menominee charge asked permission to sell a church lot, which was granted.

J. S. Smart presented the following report on Church Deeds which was adopted:

CHURCH DEEDS.

Your Committee, to which was referred the resolution recommending the use of the ordinary form of warranty deed running to the corporate names of churches in all conveyances of real estate, presented to this body by J. S. Smart and T. G. Potter at its last session, beg leave to report:

In churches and parsonages the Methodist Episcopal Church in the State of Michigan owns property valued at between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000. To this we are rapidly adding. Our ministers are the legal patrons of the pulpits of these churches, and these parsonages are their homes. We must, therefore, have a profound interest in the validity of the titles by which this property is held.

We have had one case, the Newark Church in Lapeer County, in which the title of the church was contested. After fourteen years of possession that church was lost to the Methodist Society, because of an informality in its organization, and a corresponding imperfection in its deed. All legal authorities unite in the opinion that had this society been regularly incorporated, transacted its business as a corporation, receiving its property in its corporate name, by a regular warranty deed, without the trust clause contained in the Discipline, the title of the church would have been perfect.

We have paid our money to prosecute this as a test case before the highest judicial tribunal of the State. Having done so, it would be absurd, if not criminal, for us to refuse to profit by the lesson it teaches.

In view of the importance and gravity of the question, we have taken great pains to consult and ascertain the opinions of the highest legal

authorities accessible to us. We submit the following as the result of our inquiries:

1. All church societies should be incorporated, and do business in their corporate names. The "corporate name" is the one specified in the certificate of organization recorded in the office of the County Clerk.

2. A deed to an ecclesiastical society ought to come to it in its corporate name, and without naming the Trustees.

3. There is no beneficial purpose to be accomplished by creating a trust, and it is a mistake to create one. Our legislature many years ago undertook to abolish trusts in every case where they are unnecessary. The case of a church society is eminently one in which a trust is entirely useless. Property ought to be held by incorporated societies, and not by individuals for them. A deed to a church corporation does not need to recite the rights of the church to be guarded. If a clear title is given to the corporation, as in a regular warranty deed, it must convey the property subject to all the rules, usages and regulations of the church represented by the corporation, whether it is so stated in the deed or not.

If real estate is held in trust it is subject to contingencies to which titles ought not to be exposed, except when some distinct good is to be accomplished thereby. There is always great danger of any attempted creation of a trust proving illegal.

In conclusion, we most earnestly urge our societies to incorporate themselves according to the law of the State, and, hereafter, to be particular to have their deeds of property run to the corporations by their corporate names.

We also urge upon our pastors and presiding elders the importance of giving immediate and constant attention to this matter, using all proper influence and care to correct any mistakes of the past, and to secure in the future legal incorporations of our societies and such conveyances of property as beyond all doubt will be valid according to the law of the State, namely, warranty deeds to the societies by their corporate names, without naming the trustees, and without the trust clause contained in the Discipline.

J. S. SMART,
L. R. FISKE,
JOHN McELDOWNEY,
SETH REED.

C. H. Morgan presented the report of the Visiting Committee to Albion College, which was amended and referred to the Committee on Education.

A. Edwards presented a memorial from Boston, concerning the treaty of 1880, between the United States and China, and

moved that it be made the text of a petition from this Conference to Congress, and, being signed by the President and Secretary of the Conference, placed in the hands of some Senator and Representative and sent to both houses of Congress. The motion was unanimously adopted.

W. P. Stowe represented the interests of the Western Book Concern.

J. M. Philips represented the interests of the New York Book Concern.

The time was extended.

D. S. Stevens, of Adrian College; S. H. Adams, of Rock River Conference; J. M. Hall, of Flint; A. J. Meade, of the American Bible Society, were introduced to the Conference.

J. M. Hall addressed the Conference on the C. L. S. C. of Michigan.

A. J. Meade addressed the Conference on the work of the Bible Society.

Rev. J. Horton asked for a committee of five on distressed churches, and W. H. Shier, O. Whitmore, T. G. Potter, J. B. Lucas and O. J. Perrin were appointed such committee.

W. H. Shier moved that the Conference Stewards be requested to give a portion of the funds in their hands to Rev. George Stowe, and the motion prevailed.

Question Seven—"Who are received on credentials from other bodies?" was asked, and answered as follows:

The credentials of John J. Mills, Walter C. McIntosh, F. J. Emerick, W. J. Balmer were referred to the Committee on Conference Relation.

Notices were given, W. W. Washburn was appointed to conduct religious services on Tuesday morning, the Doxology was sung, and Conference adjourned, with Benediction by R. S. Pardington, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

SIXTH DAY.

ADRIAN, Tuesday, September 14th, 1886.

The opening religious services were conducted by W. W. Washburn.

Bishop Hurst took the chair at 8.30 A. M.

The minutes of the fourth day's session were read, and adopted as amended.

The 3d Disciplinary question, viz: "Who remain on trial?" was asked.

The character of the following was examined and passed: Henry E. Wolfe (who was permitted to attend school), Adolph Roedel, J. B. Varner and Fayette A. Haynes.

The vote by which Fayette A. Haynes was placed in the class of the second year was reconsidered, and he was placed in the first class.

The following were discontinued: William J. Dobbins, Thomas A. Ambler, John Rowe.

Rev. J. M. Shank was excused from Conference to attend a funeral.

The 13th question was asked: "Who are the Traveling Deacons?" and, after the examination and approval of their character, was answered as follows: James W. Kennedy, James McAllister, George B. Benedict, a supernumerary; William Will, Ralph Williams and Phillip Price, who were placed in the class of the first year.

The following are Deacons of the second class: James Ivey, Samuel Plantz, Guy M. Bigelow, Frank L. Osborne (who is required to be examined next year in church history), Samuel A. Oliver, Andrew A. Wood, J. T. Haliday, Horace G. Persons (a supernumerary), George N. Kennedy (who is to pass two years' examination next year), Jesse Robbins, Phillip Lowry, and W. B. Pope (who was reported as having passed the whole course of study).

J. C. Wortley, John McEldowney and W. Dawe were appointed a Committee on the Publication of the Minutes.

J. P. Varner, J. W. Kennedy, J. McAllister and G. N. Kennedy are required to pass two years' examination next year.

W. H. Hicks, editor of Conference Journal, presented \$25.00 to the Conference for worn-out preachers, which was accepted with a vote of thanks.

A vote of thanks was given to the Methodist Publishing Company of Detroit for the gift of \$500.80 for the superannuated preachers.

Dr. Fiske offered the following resolutions on the C. L. S. C., which were adopted and ordered printed in the Minutes:

Resolved, 1. That we fully indorse the "Chautauqua Idea" as an inspiration to study, and a help to best Christian culture.

Resolved, 2. That we approve of the work which is done through the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circles in this State, and recommend that these associations be organized in every community where a sufficient number of persons can be induced to take up the course of reading prescribed.

Resolved, 3. That we are gratified at the impetus communicated to this movement by the establishment of the headquarters of the same at Bay View, under the direction of John M. Hall, Esq., in connection with the project of holding annually, an assembly at that place.

Resolved, 4. That we hope and believe that the interest in education awakened by this Chautauqua movement will lead multitudes of the young people of this country to seek the advantages for higher learning afforded in our best Christian colleges and universities, thus giving the church not only a moral, educated and influential laity, but materially contributing to the solution of the problem of a larger supply for our pulpits.

L. R. FISKE.

Dr. Fiske represented the Board of Education at the request of Dr. Kidder, and referred to the observance of Children's Day and the amount of aid already given to students in Albion College.

A. J. Richards' relation was changed from an effective to a supernumerary one.

C. B. Spencer, T. G. Potter, C. Simpson, C. M. Thompson, J. H. McIntosh, W. J. Campbell and A. W. Wilson were appointed a Committee on the nomination of Standing Committees for next year.

In answer to the question, "Where shall the next Confer-

ence be held?" invitations were presented from the Central Church in Detroit and the Church at Saginaw City. The invitation from the Washington Avenue Church at Saginaw City was unanimously accepted.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was read by R. Woodhams, and on motion of Dr. Fiske, after being amended, was adopted. (See Report **A**.)

The report of the Woman's Home Missionary Society was read by W. W. Washburn and adopted. (See Report **B**.)

Time was extended 10 minutes.

A session of the Conference was ordered for this afternoon at 2.30 P. M.

Time was extended indefinitely.

W. H. Shier, Chairman of the Committee on Conference Relations, presented the credentials of the following persons—W. J. Bahner, J. J. Tickner, W. C. McIntosh and James F. Emmerick—which were accepted.

John Hamilton offered a resolution, which was laid on the table, to be called up at convenience.

C. M. Cobern was appointed to conduct religious services at the opening of the afternoon session.

J. S. Smart was appointed to preside at the session this afternoon.

Notices were given, the Doxology was sung, and Conference adjourned with the benediction by A. Edwards.

SIXTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

ADRIAN, Tuesday, Sept. 14, 1886.

C. M. Cobern conducted the opening religious services. Dr. J. S. Smart in the chair.

At the suggestion of the chair, the reading of the Minutes of the proceedings of the morning session was omitted.

Joseph Frazer submitted the report of the Committee on Periodicals, which, after the insertion of some changes, was adopted. (See Report **C**.)

S. P. Warner presented the report of the Committee on Parsonages, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report **D**.)

Lewis N. Moon submitted the report of the Committee on the Sanctity of the Sabbath, which, on motion, was re-committed for the addition of a resolution expressing the opinion of the committee concerning holding camp meetings on Sunday. (See Report **E**.)

W. H. Shier, in behalf of the Committee on distressed Churches in Port Huron District, submitted a report, which was adopted. (See Report **F**.)

N. N. Clark read the report of the Visiting Committee to the Garrett Biblical Institute, which, on motion, was adopted.

J. M. Kerridge presented the report of the Committee on Sunday Schools, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Report **G**.)

J. L. Hudson, the Treasurer of the Conference, made his report, which was adopted. (See Report **H**.)

Dr. W. E. Poole, submitted the report of the Committee on Church Extension, which was adopted. (See Report **I**.)

H. S. White presented the report of the Mission Auditors, which was adopted:

The Mission Auditors have carefully examined the vouchers of the Presiding Elders for the missionary moneys paid to them, and find them all expended as directed by the Conference.

J. P. VARNER,
H. S. WHITE,
J. D. HALLIDAY.

J. H. Riddick presented the report of the Committee on Freedmen's Aid Society, which was adopted. (See Report **K**.)

A. Edwards offered the following resolution of sympathy concerning Dr. C. C. McCabe, which was adopted by a rising vote.

Resolved, That we hear with sincere sympathy and regret of the serious sickness of Rev. Dr. C. C. McCabe, our untiring Corresponding Secretary of the Missionary Society. We earnestly pray that he may be speedily restored to health and to his invaluable agency in raising the standard of liberality in the Church.—ARTHUR EDWARDS, L. R. FISKE, W.W. WASHBURN.

Dr. Smart led the Conference in prayer for him.

F. Berry presented the report of the Committee on the Burnt District, which was adopted. (See Report **L.**)

F. S. Smart offered a resolution requesting that the Bishops be asked to arrange for the opening of our Annual Conference on Wednesday instead of Thursday. Adopted unanimously.

J. E. Springer presented a resolution on the observing of the Sabbath with regard to camp meetings, which being accepted, completed the report of the Committee on the Sanctity of the Sabbath, and the report was adopted as amended.

E. B. Bancroft presented the statistical report, which, on motion, was adopted.

H. C. Northrop submitted the report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, which was adopted by a show of hands. (See Report **M.**)

Geo. W. Hudson presented the following paper on Crime and its Punishment in Michigan, and, after discussion, it was committed to G. W. Hudson, E. W. Ryan, T. C. Gardner and L. R. Fiske for revision, and, being amended, was adopted, as follows:

CRIME AND ITS PUNISHMENT.

It is a self-evident truth that the highest and best interest of the State can only be subserved by the enactment and faithful enforcement of proper laws to prevent crime and promote justice. Wrong-doing must be made odious; penalty must inspire dread in the bosom of evil-doers. We are cursed in this country to-day by laxity in the administration of justice. Criminals, too often, escape detection, or being detected, they are shielded from the penalties due to their crimes, and even lionized by a perverted public sentiment. The same perverted sentiment has demanded the repeal of penalties which experience has shown to be the bulwarks of good order; it has also demanded the indiscriminate exercise of the pardoning power in cases where justice has not miscarried. If these evils are ever to be corrected, there must be bold utterances in order to arouse the better sentiment of Christian people. As a part of our duty, therefore, we would put forth the following expression of our convictions:

Resolved, 1. That legislative bodies should seek earnestly to find some means for the better enforcement of all laws against crime.

Resolved, 2. That the pardoning power is a prerogative which ought to be very sacredly guarded. We are glad, therefore, that in our State the

legislature has thrown around it new safe-guards to render more difficult the abuse of executive clemency.

Resolved, 3. That it is the sense of this Conference that capital punishment should be restored in this State in cases of wilful murder, under such regulations and restrictions as the experience of the past and the Christian sentiment of the present demand.—E. W. RYAN, GEO. W. HUDSON.

J. M. Fuller was appointed to open the evening session with religious services. W. E. Bigelow was appointed alternate.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet at 7 p. m., L. R. Fiske pronounced the Benediction.

SIXTH DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Religious services were conducted by W. E. Bigelow; L. R. Fiske took the chair, and called for reports.

P. R. Parish presented the report of the Committee on Bible Cause, which was adopted. (See Report N.)

J. S. Smart moved a vote of thanks to the friends of this city who have so royally entertained us,—to the Rail Road and Steamboat companies,—to the pastor and officers of this church, and to all who have done so much to add to the convenience and comfort of the Conference during its session in this city, which was adopted with a rising vote.

A collection of \$10 was ordered for the Statistician. It was taken, and the proceeds amounting to \$15, were placed in the hands of J. Hamilton and J. Sweet.

C. B. Spencer presented the report of the Committee on the Nomination of Standing Committees for 1887, which was adopted:

STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1887.

Sunday Schools—C. M. Thompson, C. M. Cobern, M. C. Hawks.

Church Extension—O. J. Perrin, James Kilpatrick, James Withey.

Freedman's Aid—W. J. Clack, P. R. Parish, C. E. Benson.

Periodicals—G. W. Hudson, L. N. Moon, L. E. Lennox.

Statistician—Guy M. Bigelow.

Conference Claimants—J. S. Joslin, Arthur W. Stalker, D. R. Shier, Calvin Gibbs, P. J. Wright, J. G. Whitcomb, J. M. Fuller.

Education—E. B. Bancroft, Isaac H. Riddick, J. Sweet.

Conference Stewards—N. N. Clark, J. H. McIntosh, J. S. Joslin.

Missions—Presiding Elders.

Bible—N. G. Lyons, J. P. Fryar, W. B. Pope.

Temperance—William Smith, E. W. Ryan, F. A. Smart.

Sanctity of the Sabbath—J. Venning, T. G. Potter, W. C. Way.

Parsonages—William Dawe, Jesse Kilpatrick, Franklin Bradley.

Post Offices—A. W. Wilson, G. W. Lowe, D. B. Millar.

Memoirs—W. J. Campbell, George Taylor, W. B. Bennett.

Mission Auditors—J. E. Jacklin, Austin Wilson, Arthur W. Stalker.

Debts Due the Book Concern—Alfonzo Crane, E. W. Frazee, E. A. Bray.

Treasurer—J. J. Hudson.

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society—J. M. Kerridge, L. S. Tedman, A. R. Bartlett.

Woman's Home Missionary Society—W. W. Ramsay, W. W. Washburn, W. E. Bigelow.

Conference Relations—

Committee to Nominate Standing Committees for 1888—H. C. Northrup, J. A. McIlwain, E. E. Caster, Frederick Strong, J. B. Oliver, O. Whitmore, G. W. Jennings.

T. C. Gardner offered a resolution concerning the W. H. M. Society, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the authorities of the W. H. M. Society be requested to furnish the amount of their cash appropriations to the ministers in the Conference, specifying the name and sum in each case, to be published in the Conference Minutes.—T. C. GARDNER, J. S. JOSLIN.

C. B. Spencer presented the report of the Committee on Education, which was adopted. (See Report O.)

C. B. Spencer requested the privilege of adding a resolution concerning the Asbury Centenary Association to the report on Education. Granted.

S. Clements moved that the Secretary cast the ballot for the following persons as Trustees of Albion College: J. S. Smart, Horace Hitchcock—which was done, and they were declared elected.

J. S. Smart, Corresponding Secretary of the Asbury Centenary Association, submitted his report, which was adopted.

Dr. Smart asked the Conference for \$1,000 for the endow-

ment of a chair in the college, and a subscription was taken up amounting to \$600. Bishop Hurst took the chair.

Dr. McEldowney announced the officers of the Church Extension Board as follows:

Church Extension Board—President, Horace Hitchcock; Vice-President, M. Hickey; Secretary, J. F. Berry; Treasurer, David Preston. Additional Members—C. T. Allen, George W. Lowe, George O. Robinson, D. J. Smith.

Also Committees of Examination for 1887 as follows:

Admission on Trial—M. W. Gifford, E. A. Bray, D. H. Yokom.

First Year—C. M. Cobern, M. C. Hawks, I. E. Springer.

Second Year—H. C. Northrup, John Sweet, J. E. Jacklin.

Third Year—I. H. Riddick, L. E. Lennox, J. F. Berry.

Fourth Year—E. W. Frazer, J. M. Gordon, George W. Jennings.

Local Deacons—L. N. Moon, E. B. Bancroft, C. B. Spencer.

Local Elders—C. T. Allen, O. F. Winton, J. S. Joslin.

Also,

Triers of Appeals—W. W. Washburn, S. Clements, R. Woodhams, W. H. Shier, J. G. Morgan, H. S. White, E. W. Frazee.

To Preach Missionary Sermon—C. S. Eastman. Alternate, W. C. Way.

The 3d Disciplinary question, viz: "Who are admitted on trial?" was asked, and answered as follows: Samuel W. Bird, John J. Tickner, Edgar L. Moon, Charles I. Porritt, Donald H. Campbell, Charles W. Gray, Edward F. Warner, James Pasco, George Tucker and Thomas Nahbenayash.

William J. Balmer, an Elder in the Methodist Conference in Canada, was admitted on his credentials.

Walter C. McIntosh was placed with Deacons of second class.

Andrew Ebling was specially recommended to be employed by the Presiding Elders.

John F. Emerick, on his credentials as an Elder in the Protestant Methodist Church, was admitted into full connection.

J. M. Gordon presented the report of the Conference Stewards, which was adopted. He was authorized to hold the funds not distributed. (See Stewards' Financial Report.)

George W. Lowe was granted a supernumerary relation.

Dr. McEldowney presented the report of the Committee on Missionary Appropriations, which was adopted with the following modification: That the \$200.00 appropriated to the Superintendent of the Indian Missions be distributed equally among these missions, as originally contemplated.

A motion to adjourn after the reading of the minutes and of the appointments was adopted.

The above minutes, with accompanying appointments and reports, are a correct and complete record of the proceedings of the Detroit Annual Conference, at Adrian, Sept. 9-15, 1886.

JOHN F. HURST,

Bishop Presiding.

JACOB C. WORTLEY,

Secretary.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

1. *Who are Received by Transfer, and from what Conferences?*

W. W. Case, from the East Ohio Conference.

2. *Who are Admitted on Trial?*

Samuel W. Bird, John J. Tickner, Edgar L. Moon, Charles I. Porritt, D. H. Campbell, C. W. Gray, E. F. Warner, James Pasco, George Tucker and Thomas Nahbenayash.

3. *Who Remain on Trial?*

Henry E. Wolfe, Adolf Roedel, J. B. Varner and Fayette A. Haynes.

4. *Who are Discontinued?*

William J. Dobbins, Thos. A. Ambler, John Rowe.

5. *Who are Admitted into full Connection?*

William Kitchen, Geo. H. Hopkins, James B. Lucas, Leonard Hazard. John Goodson, John I. Nickerson, John Wright, John F. Emerick.

6. *Who are Re-admitted?*

None.

7. *Who are Received on Credentials from other Churches?*

Walter C. McIntosh, John F. Emerick, W. J. Balmer, J. J. Tickner.

8. *What Traveling Preachers have been Elected Deacons?*

Ralph Williams, Geo. E. Sloan, Gillespie H. Whitney, Arthur W. Stalker, Albert B. Storms, Frederick A. Smart, George S. Weir, William Edmunds, Henry S. Ward, Charles B. Steele, Patrick C. J. Macaulay, Menno B. Diehl.

9. *What Traveling Preachers have been Ordained Deacons?*

Ralph Williams, Geo. E. Sloan, Gillespie H. Whitney, Arthur W. Stalker, Albert B. Storms, Frederick A. Smart, George S. Weir, William Edmunds, Henry S. Ward, Charles B. Steele, Patrick C. J. Macaulay, Menno B. Diehl.

10. *What Local Preachers have been Elected Deacons?*

None.

11. *What Local Preachers have been Ordained Deacons?*

None.

12. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the First Class?*

Philip Price, James W. Kennedy, James McAllister, Geo. B. Benedict, William Will, Ralph Williams.

13. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?*

Charles M. Stuart, John Bettes, Horace G. Persons, George S. Davis, James Ivey, Samuel Plantz, Guy M. Bigelow, Frank L. Osborne, S. A.

Oliver, A. A. Wood, J. T. Halliday, George N. Kennedy, Jesse Dobbins, Philip Lowry, W. B. Pope, Walter C. McIntosh.

14. *What Traveling Deacons have been Elected Elders?*

Michael H. McMahon, Arthur H. DeLong, Samuel Weir, Allen P. DeLong, George A. Walker, James A. Lowry, Stephen Polkinhorn, Wm. B. Pope, Charles W. Barnum, Wang Ching Yung.

15. *What Traveling Deacons have been Ordained Elders?*

M. H. McMahon, A. H. DeLong, Samuel Weir, A. P. DeLong, George A. Walker, James A. Lowry, Stephen Polkinhorn, W. B. Pope, C. W. B. Barnum.

16. *What Local Deacons have been Elected Elders?*

Francis J. Galbraith, Andrew Ebling.

17. *What Local Deacons have been Ordained Elders?*

Francis J. Galbraith, Andrew Ebling.

18. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?*

William Allington, G. W. Owen, H. Hodskiss, J. E. Parker, C. H. Talmadge, J. H. Curnalia, George B. Benedict, B. B. Rogers, James Rose, W. E. Dunning, I. N. Elwood, J. B. Russell, George H. Hasting, Henry W. Thompson, A. B. Clough, Horace G. Persons, A. J. Richards, Geo. W. Lowe, W. H. Poole.

19. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?*

Elijah H. Pilcher, J. W. Holt, Wesley Hagadorne, Thomas Seelye, A. R. Laing, Robert Bird, J. Milton Johnson, S. B. Kimmell, S. Calkins, M. B. Wilsey, Wm. Benson, Hiram Hood, M. Hickey, D. B. Tracy, F. A. Blades, Richard McConnell, E. Klumph, R. C. Crane, J. B. Varnum, Andrew Bell, Luther Lee, Thomas Wakelin, Alex. Gee, D. W. Hammond, S. Clements, Ira. W. Donelson, Eli Westlake, T. C. Gardner, Geo. Taylor, Wm. Taylor, H. N. Brown, E. Steele, Wm. M. Triggs, J. S. Sutton, S. J. Brown, A. F. Bourns, Alfred Allen, B. H. Hedger, Newell Newton, J. R. Noble, William Tuttle, B. F. Pritchard, E. H. Brockway, W. Q. Burnett, G. M. Lyon, William Birdsall, J. W. Crippen, Rodney Gage, T. Wilkinson, B. S. Taylor, S. L. Ramsdell, John Russell, J. A. Dunlap, T. C. Higgins, C. M. Anderson, M. J. Scott, P. O. Johnson, Wm. Donnelly, L. H. Dean, T. H. Baskerville, L. C. York, L. Barnes, J. B. Goss, T. G. Omans.

20. *Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?*

Yes.

21. *Have any Died?*

James F. Davidson, Lewis R. Mitchell, Jacob Dobbins, E. R. Hascall.

22. *Have any been Transferred, and to what Conferences?*

None.

23. *Have any Withdrawn?*

Henry Cartledge.

24. *Have any Located at their own Request?*

None.

25. *Have any been Located?*

None.

26. *Have any been Permitted to Withdraw under Charges?*

None.

27. *Have any been Expelled?*

None.

28. *Who are the Triers of Appeals?*

W. W. Washburn, S. Clements, R. Woodhams, W. H. Shier, J. G. Morgan, H. S. White, E. W. Frazee.

29. *What is the Statistical Report?*

See the Tabulated Statement.

30. *What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?*

Estimated amount, \$11,400.

31. *What has been Received on these Claims, and how has it been applied?*

Received, \$3,902. Applied, see the Steward's Financial Report.

32. *Where are the Preachers Stationed?*

See Appointments.

33. *Where shall the next Conference be held?*

Saginaw City.

STEWARDS' FINANCIAL REPORT.

RECEIVED.

From the Chartered Fund.....	\$ 30 00
Book Concern, New York.....	436 00
Methodist Publishing Co., Detroit, Mich.....	500 80
Conference Daily.....	25 00
Conference Collections.....	114 14
Collections from the Charges.....	2800 00
Total.....	\$3905 94
Paid O. Whitmore for Stationery.....	3 94
	3902 00

The amount allowed to claimants is \$11,400. On this we have disbursed to superannuated ministers and to the widows of deceased ministers as follows:

DISBURSED.

To Wm. Benson.....	\$136 88.....	Delivered to T. Nichols.
George Stowe.....	102 66.....	" J. L. Hudson.
E. H. Pilcher.....	102 66.....	" W. J. Campbell.
M. J. Scott.....	102 66.....	" E. E. Caster.
E. Westlake.....	102 66.....	" E. E. Caster.
B. S. Taylor.....	102 66.....	" L. R. Fiske.
J. A. Dunlap.....	102 66.....	" W. F. Davis.
J. W. Holt.....	102 66.....	" Benjamin Reeve.
W. M. Triggs.....	102 66.....	" Self.
George Taylor.....	102 66.....	" Self.
Wm. Birdsall.....	102 66.....	" H. S. White.
C. M. Anderson.....	102 66.....	" Self.
T. C. Higgins.....	68 44.....	" J. C. Sparling.
J. W. Crippen.....	68 44.....	" Self.
B. H. Hedger.....	68 44.....	" L. P. Davis.
E. Klumph.....	68 44.....	" S. E. Warren.
Wm. Donnelly.....	68 44.....	" J. H. McIntosh.
A. R. Laing.....	68 44.....	" H. E. Wolfe.
Thos. Wakelin.....	68 44.....	" S. Reed.
B. F. Pritchard.....	68 44.....	" D. B. Millar.
S. Clements.....	68 44.....	" Self.
G. M. Lyon.....	68 44.....	" C. Simpson.
Luther Lee.....	68 44.....	" Self.
D. W. Hammond.....	68 44.....	" J. E. Halliday.
S. Calkins.....	68 44.....	" F. Bradley.
John Russell.....	68 44.....	" P. R. Parrish.
N. N. Newton.....	34 22.....	" J. Kilpatrick.
R. Gage.....	34 22.....	" L. N. Moon.
S. J. Brown.....	34 22.....	" O. Whitmore.
L. H. Dean.....	34 22.....	" J. McEldowney.
Wm. Taylor.....	34 22.....	" Geo. Taylor.
Thos. Seelye.....	34 22.....	" W. M. Campbell.
R. C. Crane.....	34 22.....	" H. W. Hicks.
Wm. Tuthill.....	34 22.....	" Self.
J. R. Noble.....	34 22.....	" J. C. Wortley.
Mrs. J. F. Davidson.....	136 88.....	" Self.
" Jacob Dobbins.....	136 88.....	" J. M. Gordon.
" Lewis Mitchell.....	68 44.....	" C. M. Anderson.

To Mrs. J. R. Cordon.....	68 44....	Delivered to L. N. Moon.
" E. VanNorman.....	68 44....	" O. Whitmore.
" A. R. Harding.....	68 44....	" T. G. Potter.
" A. R. Hazen.....	68 44....	" J. E. Jacklin.
" George Wilson	68 44....	" S. Reed.
" J. S. Priestly.....	68 44....	" F. Bradley.
" E. Foster.....	68 44....	" W. E. Bigelow.
" G. H. Field.....	68 44....	" S. Reed.
" J. B. Atchinson.....	68 44....	" E. B. Bancroft.
" J. M. Arnold.....	68 44....	" L. R. Fiske.
" Dubois	68 44....	" T. G. Potter.
" Caroline Bibbins.....	68 44....	" J. L. Hudson.
" S. P. Lee	34 22....	" Thomas Huckle.
" Wm. Fox.....	34 22....	" I. E. Springer.
" G. N. Belknap.....	34 22....	" C. H. Morgan.
" J. C. Cochrane.....	34 22....	" J. L. Hudson.
" J. Shank.....	34 22....	" J. Venning.
" A. C. Shaw.....	34 22....	" J. L. Hudson.
" Wm. H. Hevener.....	34 22....	" J. L. Hudson.

J. M. GORDON, Chairman of Stewards.

MISSIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

The following charges are constituted Missions, with the appropriations annexed:

ADRIAN DISTRICT—		ALPENA DISTRICT—	
Napoleon	\$50	District.....	\$500
Lima and Sylvan	25	Roscommon	100
Palmyra.....	25	Indian River	100
.....	25	Grayling	100
	\$125	Long Rapids.....	100
FLINT DISTRICT—		Au Gres	50
Otisville	60	Gaylord	50
Pine Run.....	30	West Branch.....	100
	90	Sterling	100
SAGINAW DISTRICT—		Greenbush.....	100
Kingston	50	Whitmore	100
Millington.....	100	Vanderbilt.....	100
St. Charles	50	Chnrchill	100
Ames	100		\$1,600
Reese	60	MARQUETTE DISTRICT—	
	360	District.....	100
PORT HURON DISTRICT—		Bessemer	150
Sandusky.....	50	Ironwood.....	175
Bad Axe.....	25	Stephenson	50
Meade	25	Pickford and Donaldson	50
Tyre.....	50	Manistique	100
Minden	25	St. Ignace.....	100
Carsonville	25	Menominee.....	200
Imlay City	100		925
Brown City.....	25		
Peck.....	25	Total.....	\$3,500
Port Austin.....	25		
Sand Beach	25		
	400		

INDIAN MISSIONS.

SAGINAW DISTRICT—		Kewawenon		\$50
Taymouth	\$150	Munising	50	
	\$150	Hannahville	50	
ALPENA DISTRICT—		Iroquois	50	
Saganning and Pinconning.....	150		\$400	
	150	Total	\$700	
MARQUETTE DISTRICT—				
Superintendent.....	200			

NOTE—The \$200 appropriation to the Superintendent of Marquette District was by vote of Conference directed to be appropriated to the Indian Missions of the District.—Com.

APPOINTMENTS—1886-7.

DETROIT DISTRICT—P. E., JOHN McELDOWNY. P. O., Detroit.

Belleville.....To be supplied by R. L. Hewson	Greenfield :
Birmingham.....Jolin Hamilton	Grace.....Supplied by D. B. Tracy
Brighton.....S. Bird	Memorial.....Supplied by D. B. Tracy
Clarkston .....H. W. Hicks	Howell.....J. S. Joslin
Dearborn.....To be supplied	Iosco and Marion .....To be supplied
Delray .....To be supplied	Leesville and Warren .....L. L. Houghton
Denton .....J. A. Lowry	New Boston.....F. E. Pierce
Detroit: Asbury.....To be supplied	Pinckney and North Lake.....H. Marshall
Cass Avenue.....C. M. Cobern	Plymouth.....M. W. Gifford
Central.....W. S. Studley	Pontiac.....C. T. Allen
Fort Street.....P. R. Parrish	Rawsonville.....J. B. Goodson
Haven .....C. S. Eastman	Redford and Southfield .....R. C. Lanning
Lincoln Avenue.....C. B. Spencer	Royal Oak .....To be supplied
Palmer .....Wm. Smith	Salem and Northfield.....A. Whitcomb
Simpson .....M. C. Hawks	South Lyon.....Franklin Bradley
Tabernacle.....Wm. Dawe	Stockbridge and Unadilla .....D. B. Millar
Twenty-Third Street.....To be supplied	Trenton .....J. M. Shank
Twenty-Eighth Street and Welch Avenue	Wayne.....J. A. McIlwain
S. P. Warner	Whitmore Lake and Hamburg .....S. W. Bird
Wesley .....E. B. Bancroft	Wyandotte.....S. E. Warren
Woodward Avenue.....F. A. Smart	Ypsilanti .....I. E. Springer
Flat Rock .....W. Cook	

Joseph F. Berry, Associate Editor of the Michigan Christian Advocate, member of Central Quarterly Conference.

Arthur Edwards, Editor Northwestern Christian Advocate, 57 Washington street, Chicago, member of Central Quarterly Conference.

L. R. Fiske, President Albion College, member of Central Quarterly Conference.

J. S. Smart, Agent of Albion College, member of Central Quarterly Conference.

D. C. Jacokes, Chaplain Eastern Michigan Asylum, member of Pontiac Quarterly Conference.

A. F. Hoyt, President New Orleans University, member of Central Quarterly Conference.

C. M. Stuart, Assistant Editor of the Northwestern Christian Advocate, and member of Cass Avenue Quarterly Conference.

ADRIAN DISTRICT—P. E., T. J. JOSLIN. P. O., Adrian.

Addison.....O. F. Winton	Lambertville .....To be supplied
Adrian.....W. W. Case	Lima and Sylvan .....Horace Palmer
Ann Arbor.....W. W. Ramsay	Manchester and Sharon.....D. R. Shier
Blissfield .....H. W. Wright	Medina .....Isaac Johnston
Carleton and Schofield .....To be supplied	Milan and Oakville.....D. J. Odell
Chelsea .....W. M. Campbell	Monroe .....W. W. Washburn
Clayton .....W. B. Pope	Morenci.....J. G. Morgan
Clinton and Macon.....E. P. Pierce	Munith and Fitchburg.....T. B. McGee
Deerfield and Petersburg.....D. A. Curtis	Napoleon and Brooklyn .....D. W. Giberson
Dexter.....To be supplied	Palmyra .....John Wesley
Dixborough.....A. W. Stalker	Ridgeway .....W. J. Clack
Dundee .....D. H. Yokom	Saline.....W. H. Benton
Fairfield.....J. E. Withey	Stony Creek.....M. H. McMahon
Franklin.....A. B. Storms	Tecumseh.....T. G. Potter
Grass Lake...J. M. Kerridge	Waterloo .....C. L. Church
Hudson.....J. L. Hudson	

FLINT DISTRICT—P. E., S. REED. P. O., Flint.

Baueroft	C. B. Clark	Holly.....	J. C. Wortley
Byron	C. Gibbs	Lapeer	H. C. Northrup
Commerce.....	J. Wright	Linden.....	C. E. Benson
Dansville.....	L. S. Tedman	Milford.....	J. H. Kilpatrick
Davison	G. M. Bigelow	Mt. Morris.....	M. H. Bartram
Davisburg.....	Charles Simpson	Northville..	G. W. Hudson, J. M. Van Every
Farmington.....	W. C. McIntosh	Oak Grove..	To be supplied by G. E. Holliday
Fenton	Joseph Frazer	Ortonville.....	Francis Berry
Flint: Court Street.....	J. E. Jacklin	Otisville.....	J. D. Hubbell
Garland Street.....	H. S. White	Parshallville	E. Yager
Flushing	John Sweet	Perry.....	J. W. Kennedy
Fowlerville	N. N. Clark	Pine Run.....	F. E. Emerick
Gaines.....	E. E. Caster	Seymour Lake	J. J. Tiekner
Goodrich.....	C. W. Austin	Swariz Creek.....	O. Sanborn
Grand Blane.....	W. M. Ward	Vernon.....	T. P. Barnum
Hadley.....	A. B. Wood	Walled Lake.....	Leonard Hazard
Hazleton	J. J. Hodge	Webberville.....	Adolph Roedel
Hartland	F. W. Warren	Williamston.....	Wm. Newey
Highland	J. A. Rowe	Woodhull	P. G. Wager

SAGINAW DISTRICT—P. E., A. J. BIGELOW. P. O., East Saginaw.

Bay City: Fremont Ave..	Roland Woodhams	Midland.....	I. H. Riddick
Washington Avenue	E. W. Ryan	Millington.....	B. Reeve
Bennington	J. B. Oliver	Oakley.....	To be supplied
Bridgeport.....	J. Balls	Orion.....	L. N. Moon
Caro.....	J. Kilpatrick	Owosso.....	Thomas Stalker
Caseville	E. L. Moon	Oxford	C. M. Thompson
Cass City.....	J. H. McCune	Reese	To be supplied
Chesaning	Samuel Gilchriese	Rochester	R. D. Robinson
Corunna.....	W. W. Benson	Saginaw City: Ames.....	S. A. Oliver
East Saginaw: Hess Street.....	J. P. Fryer	Washington Avenue.....	J. Venning
Jefferson Street	C. H. Morgan	St. Charles	F. Haynes
Ellington.....	To be supplied	Taymouth Indian Mission	J. W. Holt
Freeland.....	Geo. E. Sloan	Troy and Big Beaver.....	Thomas Nichols
Henderson.....	A. Crane	Tuseola	Wm. Will
Ingersoll	J. R. Beach	Unionville	F. L. Osborne
Kingston.....	A. A. Wood	Utica.....	R. L. Cope
Laingsburgh.....	A. G. Blood	Vassar.....	E. W. Frazee
Mayville.....	Nathaniel Diekey	Watrousville.....	B. C. Moore

ALPENA DISTRICT—P. E., L. P. DAVIS. P. O., West Bay City.

Aleona and Black River.....	G. S. Weir	Mio	To be supplied
Alpena.....	J. H. McIntosh	Otsego Lake.....	J. W. Taylor
An Gres.....	To be supplied	Pineonning and Saganing	C. E. Hill
Cheboygan	R. H. Balmer	Riggsville	To be supplied
Churchill.....	To be supplied	Rosecommon.....	To be supplied
East Tawas.....	E. A. Bray	Tawas Circuit.....	Sibley G. Taylor
Gaylord	G. N. Kennedy	Sterling and Maple Ridge.....	E. F. Warner
Grayling.....	To be supplied	Tawas City	W. J. Balmer
Greenbush.....	Jesse Robins	Vanderbilt	P. C. J. Macauley
Harrisville.....	C. B. Steele	West Bay City.....	N. G. Lyons
Indian River	F. D. Ling	West Branch.....	To be supplied
Long Rapids	To be supplied	Whitmore.....	To be supplied
Oseoda and Indian Mission.....	J. I. Nickerson	Woodside Avenue	To be supplied

PORT HURON DISTRICT—P. E., J. HORTON. P. O., Port Huron.

Adair.....	Wm. Edmunds	Mead.....	J. H. Morton and D. H. Campbell
Algonac.....	J. G. Sparling	Memphis.....	A. J. Holmes
Almont.....	W. C. Way	Metamora.....	J. G. Whitcomb
Armada.....	To be supplied	Minden.....	To be supplied
Attica.....	C. W. Barnum	Mt. Clemens.....	O. J. Perrin
Bad Axe.....	G. A. Walker	Mt. Vernon.....	W. J. Bai'ey
Brockway.....	Henry King	New Haven.....	Duke Whitely
Brown City.....	A. H. DeLong	North Branch.....	A. P. DeLong
Carsonville.....	To be supplied	Peck.....	To be supplied
Dryden.....	G. W. Carter	Port Austin.....	To be supplied
Clifford and Fostoria.....	To be supplied	Port Hope.....	L. E. Lennox
Croswell.....	John Bettes	Port Huron.....	W. J. Campbell
Downington.....	Supplied by W. F. Davis	Port Sanilae.....	Henry Nankervis
Forester.....	G. H. Hopkins	Richmond.....	T. B. Leith
Fort Gratiot.....	G. W. Jennings	Romeo.....	W. H. Shier
Inlay City and Capae.....	F. E. York	Ruby.....	F. Coates
Lakeport.....	M. B. Diehl	Sand Beach.....	J. E. Whalen
Lexington.....	P. J. Wright	Sandusky.....	John W. Campbell
Marine City.....	J. B. Lucas	St. Clair.....	T. G. Huckle
Marlette.....	Geo. Nixon	Tyre.....	W. Marks, and C. W. Gray
Marysville.....	J. McAllister	Washington.....	J. M. Gordon

MARQUETTE DISTRICT—P. E., D. CASLER. P. O., Marquette.

Atlantic.....	Philip Lowry	Michigamme and Humboldt.....	To be supplied
Bessimer and Ironwood.....	To be supplied	Manistique.....	Chas. Porritt
Calumet.....	J. M. Fuller	Marquette.....	A. R. Bartlett
Central Mine.....	Stephen Polkinhorn	Menominee.....	James Ivey
Champion.....	J. S. Mitchell	Munisig Indian Mission.....	
Detour.....	To be supplied		Thos. Nahbenayash
Escanaba.....	Isaac Wilcox	Negaunee.....	G. C. Squire
Grand Marias.....	To be supplied	New berry.....	To be supplied
Hancock.....	J. D. Halliday	Norway.....	A. S. Fair
Hannahville and Indian Mission.....		Oscola.....	F. Strong
	To be supplied	Pewabic.....	To be supplied
Houghton.....	W. E. Bigelow	Pickford and Donaldson.....	R. Pattinson
Iron Mountain.....	A. W. Wilson	Republic.....	John Evans
Iroquois and Indian Mission.....	To be supplied	Rockland and Greenland.....	George Tucker
Ishpeming.....	J. P. Varner	Sault Ste. Marie.....	G. H. Whitney
Lake Linden.....	Samuel Plantz	St. Ignace.....	O. Whitmore
L'Anse.....	J. L. Walker	Stephenson.....	James Pascoe

G. L. Pearson, David McFawn, Missionaries to Arizona.
 O. W. Willits, L. W. Pilcher, G. R. Davis, Wang Ching Yun, Missionaries to China.
 D. C. Challis, Missionary to Bulgaria.
 W. C. Kitchen, Missionary to Japan.
 Edwin Craven, Missionary to Dakota.
 Samuel Weir, Geo. S. Davis, Phillip Price, S. A. Dean, Henry E. Wolfe, left without appointments to attend some of our schools.

CONFERENCE SOCIETIES.

The Corporate Detroit Conference.

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Woman's Home Missionary Advisory Committee.

MINISTERS—C. T. ALLEN, W. W. RAMSAY, W. W. WASHBURN, J. McELDOWNEY,
C. M. STUART.

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GEO. O. ROBINSON, of Detroit; W. J. COCKER, of Adrian.

Roll of the Honored Dead

OF

Detroit Conference.



NAME.	Age.	DIED.		ADMITTED.	
		Place.	Date.	Conference.	Year.
James V. Watson.....	40	Chicago.....	Oct. 17, 1856...	Missouri.....	1832
Wellington H. Collins.....	42	Detroit.....	Aug. 11, 1858...	Michigan.....	1837
Robert Dubois.....	39	Ann Arbor.....	Feb. 28, 1860...	Michigan.....	1844
William Mothersill.....	48	Holly.....	Nov. 8, 1862...	Michigan.....	1840
Jonathan Blanchard.....	47	Ann Arbor.....	Mar. 22, 1864...	Michigan.....	1838
Francis L. West.....	25	Chattanooga ...	Jan. 5, 1865...	Detroit.....	1861
Giles N. Belknap.....	55	Napoleon.....	April 13, 1866...	Michigan.....	1848
Aaron Watkins.....	29	Albany, N. Y... ..	Mar. 19, 1867...	Detroit.....	1863
Joseph Shank.....	49	Fentonville	Sept. 30, 1867...	Oneida.....	1841
Isaac C. Cochrane.....	46	Utica.....	Oct. 25, 1867...	Detroit... ..	1861
William H. Hevener.....	61	Owosso	Nov. 4, 1867...	Michigan.....	1854
John A. Baughman	65	Detroit.....	Mar. 1, 1868...	Ohio.....	1823
George Smith.....	59	Ann Arbor.....	May 4, 1868...	Ohio.....	1833
William Todd.....	78	Erie, Pa.....	May 15, 1869...	New York.....	1823
James F. Dorey.....	32	Manchester	Aug. 2, 1869...	Detroit.....	1862
Ransom R. Richards.....	60	Hudson	Aug. 13, 1872...	Michigan.....	1837
Solomon S. Littlefield.....	43	Detroit.....	Dec. 3, 1872...	Michigan.....	1854
Elisha Bibbins.....	53	Detroit.....	Nov. 22, 1875...	Wesleyan.....	1841
Addison C. Shaw.....	62	Ypsilanti.....	Dec. 21, 1875...	Michigan.....	1846
James R. Cordon.....	41	Clarkston.....	April 18, 1876...	Detroit.....	1860
Samuel Bibbins.....	81	New Boston.....	May 19, 1877...	Wesleyan.....	1832
Abel W. Harding.....	39	Tecumseh	July 1, 1877...	Detroit.....	1869
Isaac Greensky.....	50	Saganing, Miss..	Oct. ... 1876...	Detroit.....	1874
William P. Maywood.....	36	Denver, Col.....	Nov. 17, 1877...	Wesleyan	1864
Peter L. Sparrow.....	44	Arena, Wis.....	Jan. 27, 1878...	Minnesota.....	1871
Robert Triggs.....	87	Ripon, Wis.....	Jan. 8, 1879...	Ohio.....	1834
William Mabon.....	73	East Saginaw...	May 24, 1879...	Michigan.....	1850
John S. Priestly.....	42	Napoleon.....	Mar. 9, 1880...	Detroit.....	1874
Edwin Foster.....	40	Freeland	Dec. 21, 1880...	Detroit.....	1873
John Pugh.....	80	Verona.....	Feb. 20, 1881...	Minnesota ...	1856
William Fox.....	58	Bancroft.....	Mar. 26, 1881...	Michigan... ..	1856
Geo. Wilson.....	45	Milford	May 6, 1881...	Detroit.....	1864
Albert R. Hazen	57	Metamora.....	Aug. 26, 1881...	So. Illinois.....	1863
S. P. Lee.....	53	North Branch...	Sept. 28, 1881...	Michigan.....	1849
Jonathan Burch Atchison.....	42	Midland City...	July 15, 1882...	Gencsee.....	1870
John Gray.....	75	Dryden	Dec. 10, 1882...	Michigan.....	1842
Benjamin F. Cocker.....	62	Ann Arbor.....	April 8, 1882...	Detroit.....	1857
Elias P. Prindle.....	63	Sanborn.....	July 23, 1883...	Detroit.....	1856
Ephraim Van Norman.....	69	Neosh. Falls,Ks	Aug. 28, 1883...	Detroit.....	1867
George H. Field.....	48	Detroit.....	Nov. 10, 1883...	Wesleyan.....	1860
John O. Bancroft.....	57	Vassar.....	Dec. 21, 1883...	Michigan.....	1855
Samuel Bessey.....	69	Grand Rapids...	Mar. 31, 1884...	Michigan.....	1846
Curtis Mosher.....	69	.....	Sept. 29, 1884...	Michigan.....	1860
John Motte Arnold	61	Detroit.....	Dec. 5, 1884...	Michigan.....	1854
Ira H. Camburn.....	70	Denton	Jan. 20, 1885...	Michigan.....	1857
James F. Davidson.....	75	Fenton.....	Dec. 4, 1885...	Ohio.....	1883
Erastus E. Hascall.....	68	Detroit.....	Mar. 2, 1886...	Michigan.....	1854
Lewis Mitchell.....	66	Attica.....	April 3, 1886...	Detroit.....	1856
Jacob Dobbins.....	77	Marine City.....	July 31, 1886...	Michigan.....	1832

"They rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

Memoirs.

REV. JAMES FRANCIS DAVIDSON.

Rev. James Francis Davidson was born in Brown County, Ohio, on the 14th of December, 1810, and closed his eyes to all the scenes of this mortal life at his home in Fenton, Mich., at about seven o'clock A. M. on his seventy-fifth birthday, December 14th, 1885.

His parents were from Ireland, and came to this country in 1804. They were Presbyterians, but soon after settling in Ohio they united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, and continued to honor their Christian profession until the mother at the age of eighty-six and the father at ninety-six departed peacefully, exclaiming, "O what a blessed hope!"

Brother Davidson was wont to refer with much satisfaction to the fidelity of his parents, especially in the duties of domestic piety. The itinerant ministers always found a welcome and congenial home under their hospitable roof. He said: "I was early impressed with the things of religion. At the age of twelve I had religious convictions. I was baptized when an infant, and from the moment I learned this fact I felt that in some sense I was under obligations to be good and serve the Lord. I always honored my parents for having me baptized when a child." He also said: "I received the evidence of my conversion on the early morning of September 13th, 1827. This was at a camp meeting held at Ash Ridge, Ohio, with Russell Bigelow in command. I went into the prayer meeting on Friday evening about nine o'clock, and remained all night in prayer. Early in the morning I found peace with God, and united at once with the church, being in my sixteenth year."

Until eighteen years of age he improved only such opportunities for acquiring an education as the common schools of that period afforded. But about this time he began to be deeply impressed with a divine call to the work of the Christian ministry, and at once commenced giving attention to a course of study preparatory to the better discharge of its sacred functions. He was first licensed as an exhorter February 9th, 1830, which was followed by authority to preach, given May 14th, 1831. Brother Davidson was received on trial in the Ohio Conference in the fall of 1831, Rev. J. B. Finley being his presiding elder, and was appointed junior preacher on Oxford circuit with Rev. John Stewart in charge. Within four weeks after entering upon his new field he had preached thirty discourses, and at the end of the year's labor over three hundred persons had been added to the membership of the church within the bounds of the charge. His subsequent appointments stand as follows: Tecumseh, in this State; Calhoun Mission; Tecumseh a second time; Monroe; Coldwater; Battle Creek;

Albion; presiding elder of Kalamazoo District, four years; then stationed at Marshall; Congress street, Detroit; Plymouth; Albion; Battle Creek again; Adrian; Tecumseh a third time; Trenton; Lafayette street, Detroit; then Detroit District, two years; Saline; Grass Lake; Plymouth a second term; Birmingham; Howell; Court Street, Flint; Milford; Oxford; Utica; Chesaning, and Fenton. Here, the long-continued service of this faithful laborer in the Master's vineyard was destined to end. In his second year at Trenton he was afflicted with almost total loss of vision, and was compelled to resign his charge. Yet such was his confidence in God, and so clearly did he recognize the divine hand in thus releasing him from further effective duties, that he could confidently affirm, "Though He slay me, yet will I trust in Him," and "It is the Lord; let Him do as He will." Well do we all remember the meek and saintly spirit which characterized him in receiving a superannuated relation at the hands of the Conference one year ago. Well nigh did our departed brother, after a very successful ministry of fifty-four years of almost uninterrupted continuance, his "body with his charge lay down, and cease at once to work and live."

Brother Davidson was twice married—first with Miss Louisa Beach, by whom he had five children, all dying in early life; his first wife also died in 1844. His second marriage, occurring in 1845, was also blessed with five children, all of whom are settled in their own homes and greatly respected. Our widowed Sister Davidson and her children will receive the sincere condolence not of the ministry only, but of thousands of our people also, who will long and gratefully cherish the memory of the departed.

Our ascended brother was a dignified Christian gentleman, of chaste and agreeable conversation; an earnest, faithful pastor, and an unusually successful preacher of the everlasting Gospel. May our submissive prayer be:

"Father, convey us safely home,
To friends not lost, but gone before."

REV. LEWIS MITCHELL.

Rev. Lewis Mitchell was born in Queen's County, Ireland, July 31, 1820, and departed this life in Arcada, Lapeer County, Michigan, April 3, 1886, in the sixty-sixth year of his age, and in blessed hope of eternal life.

Concerning the early part of his earthly career we have only very limited information. He immigrated to Canada at about the age of fifteen, remaining there only two years, and then came to the city of Detroit. For a number of years he then followed the occupation of a sailor, the larger portion of the time on the lakes, but making also several ocean voyages. Subsequently he located in Detroit and engaged in the business of house painting. The date and circumstances of his conversion we are unable to record, but think he became a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church about the year 1850, and our Minutes show that he came into full membership with the Detroit

Annual Conference in 1856. The same year he was united in marriage to Miss Permelia Johnson, who after sharing with him the joys and the sacrifices of thirty years ministerial life, yet survives him to mourn her great loss. Two sons and four daughters were born to them, all of whom, except one, are still living.

Brother Mitchell served the following pastoral charges: Owosso, Clarkston, Tuscola, Genesee, North Branch, Stoney Creek, Dryden, Hadley, a second term at Clarkston, Redford and Southfield, Ida and Mill Creek Mission. In 1868, failing health compelled him to accept a superannuated relation to the Conference.

He then purchased a farm, on which he continued to reside until the time of his decease, preaching meanwhile with great acceptability to the people, filling appointments regularly in his own and adjoining neighborhoods. It is said that two weeks before he was taken sick he preached twice in his own district school house with such special divine unction that those who heard him remarked that he was "ripening for the better land." Our lamented brother was not only a sincere and deeply experienced Christian man, always enjoying most fully the esteem and confidence of those who knew him best; but he was also a thoughtful, earnest, systematic and evangelical preacher of the Gospel, one who commended himself to every man's conscience in the sight of God. Many, no doubt, from the several charges which he served will rejoice with him in the day of the Lord Jesus that he did not labor in vain. He was also a wise and an affectionate husband and father, and, departing, has bequeathed the inestimable legacy of a godly and useful life to encourage his loved ones to live as he did on earth that they may meet him in heaven. To his brethren, whether in the laity or the ministry, he was always courteous, loving and true. May we all follow him as he followed Christ, until we meet him in that blessed country where there is no sin, nor sorrow, "neither can they die any more."

REV. JACOB DOBBINS.

Rev. Jacob Dobbins was born at Mt. Holly, N. J., Feb. 3, 1809, and fell asleep in Jesus at Marine City, Mich., July 31, 1886.

His parents, Charles and Mary Dobbins, were devout people and active members of the Methodist Episcopal Church; both of them passed through death to their heavenly home in 1817, leaving their family of five children to be cared for by strangers. While young, brother Dobbins received simply what was then considered a fair common school education, yet he always had a taste for books and a thirst for the acquisition of knowledge, which led him to improve all opportunities for advancement. Before entering upon the active duties of his holy calling, he also spent some time to good advantage at the Albion Seminary. He was early instructed in the

principles of religion, first by his parents, and after their death by a Presbyterian family, in which it was his good fortune to find a home. He was, consequently, in early youth the subject of very strong religious convictions. He does not appear, however, to have connected himself with the Methodist Episcopal Church until 1832.

On December 31, 1833, he was united in marriage with Miss Melissa Wilkins, who still survives him. They were blessed with one child, Mary Emily, who became the wife of Rev. J. E. McAllister, and who has preceded both her parents to the heavenly land.

Jacob Dobbins was received on trial in the Michigan Conference in the fall of 1852, and appointed to Addison circuit. In 1854 he was appointed to Bedford charge, where he remained two years. By division of the State into two Conferences, he fell into the Detroit Conference, and was, in 1856, assigned to Rome circuit. In 1857 and 1858 he was on the Augusta charge, and in 1859, at Brighton. In 1860 he was appointed to the Armada circuit, and at the succeeding session of Conference in 1861, he was granted a superannuated relation because of poor health. He was continued in this relation until 1865, when he was changed to an effective relation, and appointed to Franciscoville and Waterloo, where he remained for two years. In 1867, failing health again required him to accept a superannuated relation, which relation he has since sustained to the Conference.

During the last three years of his earthly pilgrimage our brother was a great sufferer, yet it is said by those who were much in his company that during his protracted illness he was cheerful and happy. His interest in the church and his concern for her prosperity continued strong, until death disclosed to his enraptured vision the stronger attractions of the heavenly world. He could heartily sing:

"I love thy kingdom, Lord!

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Beyond my highest joys

I prize her heavenly ways,

Her sweet communion, solemn vows,

Her hymns of love and praise."

Though he greatly desired to "depart and to be with Christ," yet he was heard to say, "If it were left to me to determine whether to live or die, I could not do so by turning my hand over, as I desire to leave all in the hands of God." Judging from the testimony of his pastor and others, his case must have furnished a most beautiful illustration of the sentiment of Dr. Young:

"The chamber where

The good man meets his fate,

Is privileged above the common walks of virtuous life,

Quite on the verge of heaven."

Thus ripe in years, though poor in purse, yet rich in grace and truly mourned by the good who knew him, another of God's faithful servants has been transferred from the dusty conflicts of earth to the endless honors and joys of the paradise of God. May we follow him as he followed Christ.

REV. E. R. HASCALL.

Rev. E. R. Hascall died in the city of Detroit on the second of March, 1886, and his mortal remains were laid to rest by the side of his wife and daughter in the cemetery of Tecumseh.

Our departed Brother was born in Stafford, Genesee county, N. Y., August 7, 1818. His father died when he was less than a year old. There being four other children, the burden upon the poor mother was too heavy; the little property was disposed of, and the family dissolved. At the age of thirteen Erastus was thrown upon his own resources and obliged to support and care for himself.

His mother, though poor in this world's goods, had that which was of vastly more value to her orphaned boy—a pure religious character and a deep religious experience. The fervent religious instruction which she gave him and the ardent and trustful prayers which she offered in his behalf were worth more to him than silver or gold. They took hold upon his heart and settled him in the conviction that the pardon of sins and a conscious peace with God is the imperative duty and the glorious privilege of every soul. In his life record he says:

“At the age of ten I felt my sins a burden to me. I sought and found forgiveness. But as soon as I felt myself saved I also felt that it would be my duty to preach the gospel to my fellowmen. To this my heart would not consent. Resistance to this conviction of duty cost me, during many years of my life, my religious hope and enjoyment. O! the miseries I experienced during these years of perverse rebellion! Sometimes my distress of mind was so great that I would promise the Lord that if he would restore to me the joys of his salvation I would gladly do His will. But after the divine love came back to my poor heart the burden seemed so fearfully great that I shrunk back from my vows and fell again into condemnation.”

This conflict did not cease until the crushing hand of affliction, in the death of a son and daughter and a severe personal sickness lasting about two years, and bringing him very near to death, made him feel the utter folly of contending with the Almighty.

He finally yielded to his convictions of duty, and entered the ministry in 1851. He was received on trial in the Michigan Conference in 1852. His appointments in the regular work were as follows: Oakville; Mason; South Lyon; Ridgeway; Blissfield; Dexter; Howell; Northville; Farmington; Tecumseh; Grass Lake; Hudson; Garland street, Flint; and Ridgeway a second time. Here his health gave way, and in the fall of 1868 he was granted a supernumerary relation. He settled in Tecumseh, and at first entered into trade, but subsequently retired to the quiet of a farm near the village.

Brother Hascall always regretted his early aversion to enter the ministry. He often said: “I lost twelve of the best years of my life reading novels and trying to drive away the Good Spirit from my heart.” And yet

his life was far from being a failure. His ministry was full an average success. It has been estimated that over two thousand souls were brought to Christ and into the Church through his instrumentality. This is certainly a good record—more enduring and glorious than earthly fame. "They that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever."

MRS. ELVIRA CAMPBELL.

Elvira was the daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Eldridge, and was born in Bennington, Genesee County, N. Y., Sept. 13, 1824, and sweetly fell asleep in Jesus, in the M. E. parsonage in Dexter, Mich., April 3, 1886.

At the age of sixteen years she engaged in teaching, and continued in that occupation until her marriage with Rev. W. M. Campbell, March 28, 1847. As a wife and mother she was all that those precious terms imply. She was a true friend, a genial companion, and a judicious adviser; hence her counsel was often sought, especially by the young. Her cheerful disposition and buoyancy of spirits made her a sunbeam in the social gathering. She was always far more solicitous for the pleasure of others than for her own ease or comfort. The power and influence of her rare social endowments were wholly consecrated to the Saviour and used with an eye single to His glory. She gave her heart to God at the early age of twelve years, and ever after continued a faithful, devoted worker in the Lord's service. As the wife of a minister she was a helpmeet in deed, always cheering and inspiring her husband with new hope and courage when discouragements and trials seemed too heavy to bear alone. She was ready for every good word and work, but her special mission and sphere of usefulness were among the young and in the Sunday School. When it became apparent that her strength was failing and she must yield the contest, her greatest regret was that her plans for needed church work in connection with and for the young people of Dexter were thwarted. She said: "Perhaps my work is done. God knows best, therefore not my will, but His, be done." She regarded the work of Bible class teaching as being of too much importance to be attempted without thorough preparation, and always governed herself accordingly, and therefore excelled as a Biblical scholar. Her Christian experience was deep and positive, and her religious exercises quiet and undemonstrative. She was fully ready for the Master's call to "come up higher." The last words she uttered were, "God is always good."

MRS. REV. J. G. WHITCOMB.

Elizabeth Sanford Whitcomb, wife of Rev. J. G. Whitcomb, was born December 20, 1828, in Connecticut, and departed this life June 19, 1886, at Metamora, Mich.

In early life her parents went to New York, where she was very clearly converted, and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which she remained till her death. The Sanford family were known for their devotion to the cause of Christ, and some of them were noted ministers of the gospel. She was married to Rev. J. G. Whitcomb February 28, 1847, with whom she lived in great happiness until called from labor to her reward. She was the mother of four children, all of whom are dead. There are many charges on which her name is a household word. Among these we mention Dryden, Orion, Lexington, Fenton, Holly, Flushing, Vernon and Metamora, where with her companion she was abundant in labor. She was a close student of the Bible, and gave much time to the preparation of the Sunday School lessons. Her character as an amiable, earnest Christian lady, devoted to her family and the Church, is so well known that nothing need be said regarding it.

The death of Sister Whitcomb was sudden. She went to the postoffice about seven o'clock in the evening, and while there died. It is supposed that the cause of her death was the rupture of a blood vessel. In a few minutes the home from which she had just gone, full of cheer, was made lonely and sad, and darkness gathered around the place. Perhaps nothing has ever taken place that so shocked the whole community. All felt that they had lost a friend. Her remains were brought, June 21st, to Brooklyn, Washington charge, where Brother Whitcomb has a family lot, and placed by the side of her children. A large audience gave expression of the high esteem in which she was held by the people of the last charge in which she labored.

The cause of temperance has lost an earnest advocate in the death of Mrs. Whitcomb. She wrote many articles, and did much to advance its interests. But her work is done. It may be said of her, "She hath done what she could." Her moving days will come no more. She has gone where time is not measured by Conferences, but where weary ones rest. For many years she was a true companion of our dear brother, sharing with him the hardships and joys of a life devoted to the gospel ministry, and ever ready to assist in all particulars.

This is the hour of great bereavement to Brother Whitcomb, but while he feels his loss he is wonderfully sustained by the grace of God, and has the assurance of a blessed reunion where those long parted shall meet again.

MRS. MARTHA CAMPBELL.

Mrs. Martha E. Campbell was the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Henry E. Pilcher, D. D. She was born in Wooster, Ohio, October 8, 1847, so that when she closed her eyes to the scenes of earth, January 18, 1886, she was thirty-eight years of age. She was born in the home of an itinerant Methodist minister, and died the wife of an itinerant Methodist minister. Her whole life was spent at a Christian altar, amidst the fragrance of Christian love and affection. She was one of a family of nine children, only two of whom remain until the present day—Mrs. M. S. Pilcher, of Jackson, Mich., and Mr. Henry E. Pilcher, of Toledo, Ohio. At the age of twenty-five she was united in marriage to Rev. W. J. Campbell, of Detroit Conference.

Her's was a well cultivated mind, well furnished and equipped for the position she was to occupy. Though not a graduate of any school, she spent several years at the Ohio Wesleyan Female College at Delaware, Ohio, and Marysville high school, and but for the changes incidental to the itinerancy she would no doubt have graduated with honor, as did her eldest sister. There seemed to be harmonies dwelling in her soul that sought expression, and this led her to the study of music, and she became an acknowledged leader in musical circles, thereby in no small degree helping to make her devoted husband's pastorate a success. Many precious souls were helped to a better life under the inspiration of her song, and still others were put in a better frame of mind to hear the Word preached. We believe she still continues in the same delightful service of song over yonder,

“For when our voice is lost in death,
Praise shall employ our nobler powers.”

We were all interested in her religious life. It was so simple, beautiful and unostentatious. She was modest in the extreme, sensitive to a fault, so that it was easy for one not acquainted with her to misjudge her religious experience. She served the Lord from her youth up. There was never that severe struggle, long protracted, which some stubborn souls pass through before they can yield to be saved. In early life she consecrated all her powers to Christ, so that she grew up into Him, her living Head, in all things, and the adorning of “a meek and quiet spirit” was hers in a very eminent degree. Her religious life was never demonstrative, although it was manifest by its fruits of righteousness—peace and joy in the Holy Ghost; and this made her eminently a peacemaker. She was ready with the soft answer to turn away wrath, to pour oil on the troubled waters.

As a wife she was affectionate, helpful, inspiring. She stayed up the hands of the discouraged pastor and husband, smoothed out the ruffled brow of care, and put cheer into the heart and flooded the countenance with sunshine by pointing out the silver lining.

As a sufferer she waited patiently until her change came. From the first it was manifest that she could not live. The premonition was given,

and the cloud seemed to hang over her husband's mind that the end was near. He held on to his work, however, as though no disaster was impending. They talked cheerfully, and lovingly and tenderly, of the changes incident to her demise. She was comforted with the "rod and staff," and feared no evil. To her the grave had no victory, death no sting. Her sun set at noon, when at the full maturity of all her powers; she ceased at once to work and live. She knows now what is meant by the words, "To die is gain." She waits our coming, and we hasten to meet her on the other shore.

MARY COCKER.

Mary Cocker, relict of the late B. F. Cocker, D. D., LL. D., died on Wednesday morning, December 9, 1885, at the residence of her son, Prof. W. J. Cocker, in the city of Adrian, aged sixty-seven years. She was in her usual good health until Tuesday evening, when she complained of being ill, but with no thought of serious results; yet on the following morning about six o'clock she quietly passed to her eternal home. It was a peaceful passing, such as she may have prayed for, as without thought of death she departed to be with Christ, which is far better.

She was born in Almondbury, Yorkshire, England, in the month of August, 1818. Her parents were faithful members of the English Wesleyan Church, training their children in the fear of God and the knowledge of His word. She was always the subject of saving grace; for, although there must have been a moment when she was conscious of choosing to follow Christ, yet it was but a natural transition from the faith of home and childhood to that of personal responsibility.

Her future husband was a native of the same village, his parents were members of the same church, and his training and experiences similar to hers. When they were married it was such a union as Christ once blessed with his presence in Cana. For thirty-two years she lived a quiet, happy home-life, as daughter, wife and mother, and then came the trial of faith and the opportunity to exemplify the perfect Christian wife and mother. Her husband's health failed, and the only hope seemed to be in a sea voyage and life in Australia. Friends remonstrated, affirming that she would be a widow in mid-ocean; but she was firm, and, with a sick husband, two small children and an infant of a few months, undertook that long sea voyage, in a slow sailing vessel, to a country and a people of whom she knew nothing and no one. God rewarded her faith, and they reached Australia in renewed health and hope. Of the seven years that followed we know but little, as neither husband nor wife cared to talk of them, even to their children. There was at first great prosperity and wealth; then years of financial disaster, death in the household, shipwreck, and finally a voyage round the world, ending at the city of Adrian, Mich. This place, which

was to be their final resting place, was reached in February, 1857, in most distressed circumstances, with three living children and one that had died a few moments before the stopping of the train. Alone and friendless, yet did not her faith fail. She was sure that God would raise up friends, and He did.

For twenty-six years she lived for husband, for home and the church. Of the Methodists she always spoke tenderly as "our people."

No one can ever know how untiring were her home labors, as she cared for her sick boy and invalid husband. Undoubtedly his life was prolonged for years by her devotion ; and yet, with all these cares, she was a faithful attendant on all the means of grace and ready to work in any department of the church that was open to her. When "her Benjamin" died she felt and said that her life work was ended ; and, though she was willing to stay for awhile to comfort her boys, yet did she ever seem to be listening for the voice that should call her to that heavenly home where her husband and five of her children had preceded her. It came, too soon for us, but as a joyful message to the patient, waiting saint of God.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

[A.] TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee would congratulate the Conference upon the fact that the great cause of temperance has made marked advancement during the last year.

Perhaps the most notable change that has come during the immediate past, is that in public opinion, as to the nature of the traffic and the character of the parties to it. There was a time, and that not long since, when nothing but sympathy was extended to the drunkard, and indifference to the saloonist. But that time, thank God, has gone.

The young man who now puts himself in the course of training to become a drunkard is not regarded so much as an object of pity as of just censure, if not of contempt. The saloonist is no longer regarded as one engaged in a legitimate, though disgraceful, business, but as a criminal, a breaker of law, a creator and leader of law breakers.

As shown by a tabulated statement issued by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue at Washington, for the year ending June 30, 1886, the receipts from fermented liquors include a tax on 20,710,933 barrels, an increase of one million and five hundred thousand barrels over the year ending June 30, 1885. If we allow forty gallons to the barrel, we have the enormous sum of eight hundred and twenty-eight million, four hundred and thirty-seven thousand three hundred and twenty-eight gallons of fermented liquors of *domestic* manufacture consumed last year by the people of this country. Perhaps no other people on earth consumed a greater quantity.

What is to be done to stay this traffic and the resulting enormous waste of life and property?

The question presents itself with more and more imperativeness upon public attention.

If not staid, the time will soon come when mighty armies, larger than those that struggled at Gettysburg and in the Wilderness, will go down annually into this ever widening, deepening death-current; yea, it is a startling fact that the rum traffic makes a larger requisition upon the life of our people, to-day, than did the cause of liberty during the years from 1861 to 1865.

So far as the loss of life is concerned, we, as a people, could better afford to sustain a continuous war, such as we did for five years to destroy the rebellion, than to suffer the continuous ravages of the rum traffic. This is not only true as to physical loss, but still more terribly true as to higher values, social, intellectual, moral, spiritual, eternal.

Many a soldier went up from battle field to glory. But the wretched ones who go down this dark road are torn in spirit as well as in body. Over their graves no grateful country erects monuments to perpetuate their memory. No harp is strung to sound their praise. They die, and rot, and are forgotten. And, yet, to an awful extent, their influence remains among men. By the law of heredity they link themselves to those who are to come after. The saloonist and the drunkard are terribly guilty. Their influence extends beyond the grave, and goes back to the cradle. Herod-like, they destroy the innocent. Science has at last given to the jail, to the

almshouse, to the penitentiary and to the asylum, tongues with which to speak, and they have framed this terrible indictment against the saloonist and the drunkard. And yet to the charge of crime the saloonist pleads not guilty. Is he not protected by law? by the very law he himself despises and tramples under foot in every community.

Yes, he is licensed! But will any sane man, for a moment, deny that the business in which the saloonist is engaged, robs childhood of support, mothers of hope and comfort, and that it kills thousands of strong men every year? Why cannot this self-evident fact get itself recognized before the law? Congress legislates to protect calves in Illinois, why should not Congress legislate to protect children and broken-hearted wives in Michigan.

These men do not regard themselves as being criminals, but as men of importance and honor. They get themselves formed into conventions and assemblies. They pass resolutions upon questions of great public interest. They are listened to and oftentimes obeyed by men in authority. And yet they are criminals and the friends of criminals.

The most ungodly, inhuman, criminal wretches of our day rendezvous in the saloon. We do not charge that all who visit the saloon are of this class, but we do affirm that $\frac{9}{10}$ of this class visit the saloon. That there they drink and blaspheme against God. That there they plan for the destruction of all government and society. That there they forge the most destructive implements of death to be hurled at the officers of law. That there they breed and mature crimes against government, against society, against the common decencies of life. We re-affirm that the saloonist is a criminal. Oppose him and he resorts to criminal methods for protection. He will send men out to mutilate beasts, sever trees, burn buildings, shoot the life out of men.

The Scriptures tell us that some men's sins are open beforehand, going before to judgment. Verily the saloonist's crimes go before, heralded by six hundred thousand drunkards, proclaimed by the ruin and death of an army of one hundred thousand victims annually marching to the grave within the bounds of the republic.

The saloonist is a criminal. There is but one place for him; that place is the prison house.

Your Committee is glad to comply with your request to embody in their report the action of the last General Conference on the subject of temperance and legal prohibition. In our opinion the very fitting words of the Discipline which follow express more than ever before the conviction of our church, and we trust that they will convey a deeper, broader and fuller meaning to all who study the position of our church on this question:

¶ 554, APPENDIX OF DISCIPLINE.

1. We are unalterably opposed to the enactment of laws that propose, by license, taxing or otherwise, to regulate the drink traffic, because they provide for its continuance and afford no protection against its ravages. We hold that the proper attitude of Christians toward this traffic is one of uncompromising opposition, and, while we do not presume to dictate to our people as to their political affiliations, we do express the opinion that they should not permit themselves to be controlled by party organizations that are managed in the interest of the liquor traffic. We advise the members of our church to aid in the enforcement of such laws as do not legalize or indorse the manufacture and sale of intoxicants to be used as beverages; and to this end we favor the organization of Law and Order Leagues whenever practicable.

2. We thankfully acknowledge and approve the great work carried on in all parts of the country by the National Temperance Society and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union; we recommend their publications,

commend them to the pecuniary aid of our people, and earnestly exhort our members to actively co-operate with these organizations.

§ 3. Finally, we proclaim our motto "Voluntary total abstinence from all intoxicants as the true ground of personal temperance; and complete legal prohibition of the traffic in intoxicating drinks as the duty of civil governments." It is due to our Lord Jesus Christ that we love not in word and in tongue only, but also in deed and in truth, and if need require "we ought to lay down our lives for our brethren." If the deeds of the church shall harmonize with the Discipline as given above, we shall maintain our position in the very front rank of aggressive temperance workers.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Resolved*, That the use of tobacco is both physically and morally detrimental, and that its sale or gift to minors should be prohibited by legislation.

2. *Resolved*, That we, the Detroit Conference of the M. E. Church, respectfully but earnestly request the Legislature of Michigan at its next session to enact such prohibitory legislation.

3. *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Conference present this resolution of request to the Legislature at its next session.

4. *Resolved*, That the attention of all pastors be directed to the provision of the Discipline against members of the church renting their property for the sale of intoxicating liquors and saloon purposes, so that our membership shall be kept entirely free from all complicity with the whole liquor traffic.

5. *Resolved*, That the signing of the bonds of the liquor-seller by any member of the M. E. Church is in conflict with the Christian spirit and the law and work of the church, and justly makes such bondsman amenable to church discipline.

6. *Resolved*, That we recommend that where memorial services in honor of Rev. George C. Haddock, the first martyr our ministry has given to the cause of prohibition, have not been held, our pastors at an early day arrange for such services on each of their several charges.

7. *Resolved*, That, in arranging for such memorial services, other churches, the W. C. T. U. and all other temperance organizations be invited to co-operate, and that a collection be taken for the benefit of the murdered hero's widow.—C. T. ALLEN, R. WOODHAMS, G. W. JENNINGS.

[B.]

WOMAN'S HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

It will be remembered by the Conference that at our session two years ago it became apparent, from the great deficiency in the sum total of our collections for the frontier work, that something more effective must be done for its support. When the special collections for this work were first ordered by the Conference, it was said that in a few years the necessity for these would pass, and we could confidently depend upon the appropriations from the Missionary Society. But the needs of the work continued to grow rather than diminish, and the appropriations of the Missionary Society came far short of what was needed to supply many of our preachers with the bare necessities of life.

At this time the happy suggestion was made that the new Home Missionary Society be asked to assume the task of raising \$2,500 deemed necessary for our frontier preachers in addition to what they might receive from

other sources. The officers and members of this society took hold of the work with that prayerful devotion and zeal which had characterized the women's work in behalf of the foreign field.

Last year the society raised about \$2,200 in money for this purpose, and over \$1,200 in supplies. This year it has raised about \$3,000 in money and over \$1,500 in supplies. The society has an enrolled membership of 1,700 distributed among 92 auxiliaries.

The Presiding Elders at one of their sessions during this Conference passed a resolution requesting the society to continue this work and to raise \$2,500 for the coming year. This they willingly consent to do, provided that no objection be interposed by the Board of Managers, for it must be remembered that this work which we, as a Conference, have asked them to do, is quite one side of that for which the society was organized. This society was organized primarily to do the same gospel work for the heathen women of the United States that the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society does for the heathen women of foreign lands.

This being their chosen work, it is obvious to all that as soon as practicable our sisters of this Society should be relieved, certainly in part, of the work which we have asked them to do, in helping to support the ministers on the missionary charges of this Conference, that they may enter their own chosen fields. But our brethren on frontier work must not be allowed to suffer: We see but one way of relief, and that is to secure larger appropriations from the parent society.

We therefore respectfully, but very urgently, request the General Mission Committee to raise the appropriation to this Conference to a sum total of \$7,000. We would also recommend that Rev. L. P. Davis, Presiding Elder of the Alpena District, be appointed to present the needs of our northern work to the fifth annual convention of the Board of Managers of the W. H. M. Society, to be held in Detroit 28th of October next, that their work may be continued until relief is secured of the parent society.

We are glad to report that the Society contemplates the founding of a minister's circulating library, containing the books of our courses of study, for the use of such preachers as may not be able to procure them for themselves. Already the generous donation of \$100 for this purpose, has been made by one of those noble women who have become deeply interested in this work—Mrs. T. Royer, of Ann Arbor.

The plan for the circulation of these books is to have a Library Committee whose chairman shall be in Detroit, to whom application for books shall be made by the Presiding Elders, and who also will see to their return to the place of deposit. The plan further contemplates keeping books on deposit at Port Huron and Bay City, if those points should prove the most convenient.

The Library Committee, as appointed by the Society, consists of Rev. Jos. F. Berry, Chairman; Mrs. Royer, of Ann Arbor, and Mrs. J. S. Vernor, of Detroit.

We wish here to record our high appreciation of the prayerful, earnest work of the officers and members of this Society, and with them join in thanksgiving and praise to our dear Lord for the success that has attended their labors. We will gladly coöperate with them, organizing auxiliaries in our charges, and in carrying on their work.

We recommend that the brethren constituting the Advisory Board be continued as such for the coming year, with Bro. Joseph F. Berry substituted in place of C. M. Stuart.—W. W. RAMSAY, *Ch'n*; W. W. WASHBURN, *Secretary*.

[C.]
PERIODICALS.

The printing press is one of the mightiest agencies for good or for evil at present existing in the world. The periodical publications of the press are probably its most fruitful products. A very large proportion of these publications are fruitful only of evil. The most effectual way to oppose the evil influence of these publications is to disseminate such as are good. We can conquer best by supplanting. Many Christian men are endeavoring to do this by making it their business to publish good and useful periodicals. We gladly recognize their noble zeal, and heartily rejoice in all their success in this truly Christian work. But the church, being a Divinely constituted organism, a real civil, as well as spiritual entity, has a duty to perform in this field of effort at least equal to that devolving upon any individual Christian. As in the fields of missionary, educational and benevolent enterprise, so in this of disseminating Christian literature, whatever individuals may do—and every one should do what he can—the church should herself be an open and active worker to the full extent of her resources. As she has her own pulpits and schools, and operates them of and for herself, she should also have and use her own printing presses and publishing agencies, that thus she may enter every open sphere of service and employ every available arm of power for the fulfillment of her mission, as the moral salt and spiritual light of human society.

It is matter for profound thankfulness that our church, from the beginning, has recognized this obligation, and endeavored to discharge it. And it is peculiarly gratifying to know that both in the range of her publishing enterprise and the quality and serviceableness of her publications, she is, to-day, in advance of all former times. Her periodicals are now so numerous and varied that only a first-class daily newspaper is needed to have every part of the literary field fully occupied. Possibly, however, such a paper is not yet practicable. But every other species of periodical, adapted to the instruction and elevation of our people, is amply supplied or provided for.

It is not necessary in this place to give a complete catalogue or particular characterization of these various publications. Those only that circulate, or ought to circulate, among the people within the bounds of our own Conference may be briefly noticed.

Perhaps the most important of these are our Sunday School publications in their several grades. Of all these we feel warranted to speak in the very highest terms, as being excellently adapted to the uses for which they are designed. We, therefore, strongly recommend that they be used in all our schools; we do not say to the exclusion, but certainly to the subordination of all other Sunday School "helps." Other "helps" may, in a few cases, cost a trifle less in money, but it is poor economy that saves a few cents in the week by buying inferior food for the family. Soon or later the impaired health of the household, resulting from such foolish parsimony, will entail a greater loss than the extra cost of the superior article. We rejoice to know that our schools are now more than ever alive to these truths, and that, consequently, most of these use and appreciate our own publications.

Next in importance are the weekly "Christian Advocates." Of these the "old official," published in New York, has deservedly a large circulation among our people. It is conducted with great ability, reflecting—perhaps more prominently than is necessary—the notable personality of its distinguished editor.

The *Northwestern*, under the veteran editorship of our esteemed Conference brother Edwards, is a worthy representation of the pluck and energy of western life and western Methodism. A fearless advocate of every moral reform, it has especially distinguished itself as one of the foremost, most aggressive, and most powerful champions of the right in the conflict now

being waged between society and the saloon. While a Christian family paper in the best and broadest sense, it is emphatically a temperance paper of the most advanced and vigorous character; well fitted to put stamina into flaccid moral muscles, and well deserving, therefore, of our most enthusiastic support.

But the periodical which is most generally patronized by our people is the *Michigan Christian Advocate*, published at Detroit. This paper, while not belonging to the officially recognized Advocate family of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is the legitimate shield of Michigan Methodism, in solid worth the equal of any of its foster sisters, and in practical serviceableness to the church in our State, the superior of them all. Ever since its birth it has steadily grown in all the elements of sterling Christian journalism, and now in its vigorous adolescence it shows the promise and potency of still greater progress in the future. We congratulate its managers on their attainment of the coveted list of ten thousand and more subscribers; and we tender to them our grateful thanks for their munificent gift of five hundred dollars and eighty cents to our superannuated fund. We pledge ourselves to do all in our power to secure it a place in every Methodist family.

The *Methodist Review* still maintains its place among the very best publications of its class. It is an indispensable part of the literary furnishings of the fully equipped minister; and if thoughtfully perused it could not fail to greatly broaden and enrich the mind and life of every intelligent layman.

The latest venture, *Our Youth*, has the most difficult field to occupy of all our periodicals. It bears in every issue unmistakable marks of conscientious painstaking on the part of its managers. It deserves to succeed. We will do what we can to make it succeed, by commending it in the families on our charges. We would suggest, however, that its success would be much facilitated if pictorial embellishment were added to its other attractions.—J. FRAZER, J. S. SMART, J. VENNING.

[D.]

ON PARSONAGES.

Your Committee beg leave to report that, in their judgment, the value of good, comfortable houses, furnished with substantial furniture, and dedicated to the use of our pastors, can scarcely be overestimated. The time saved to the preacher by having a house ready for him at his coming, and the anxiety and burden of paying rent out of his small allowance lifted (for, let it be remembered, this burden rests largely on that class of men whose salaries are five hundred dollars and less) where parsonages are built and kept in good repair, the preacher is left free to give himself continually to prayer and the ministry of the word, and thus insure a success in the harvest of souls, where in the absence of these advantages he might utterly fail. A reference to our Minutes shows there is much to be done in this line of church enterprise, and we urge it as the duty of our preachers and people to press forward this work of building and furnishing until homes for the pastors shall be erected in healthy locations on all of our charges, to correspond favorably in style of architecture and convenience with the surroundings in the communities where they are located.

Our Minutes of last year will show that a commendable work has already been done by our people, and also what remains to do to complete the work. We have in the Conference two hundred and forty-one charges, with one hundred and sixty-nine parsonages located on one hundred and sixty-six charges, thus showing we have three charges with two parsonages each, leaving seventy-five charges without this almost indispensable luxury.

The charges without parsonages are distributed as follows: Detroit District, 15; Adrian, 2; Port Huron, 12; Flint, 13; Saginaw, 7; Marquette, 15; Alpena, 11; total, 75!

Let us hasten to supply these destitute places, and thus place our people and preachers on vantage ground that will contribute in hastening the work of subjugating the world to Jesus.

Respectfully submitted. Signed by the Committee.—S. P. WARNER, J. E. JACKLIN, J. G. MORGAN.

[E.]

THE SANCTITY OF THE SABBATH.

Since the Sabbath, an institution established by God, whose maintenance is necessary to the physical well-being of man and beast; and since the interests of morality and religion are vitally associated with its proper allowance, therefore

Resolved, That we deplore the great prevalence of Sabbath desecration throughout our country, especially by such corporations as those controlling our railroads, our steamboat lines, and in many cases our manufacturing interests; and that we unqualifiedly condemn all unnecessary work on the Lord's day, and advise our people to entirely abstain therefrom.

Resolved, That we urge a more strict maintenance of those laws, already given us, which guard to some degree the sanctity of the Sabbath, but which are constantly being broken, especially by that enemy of all law and order, the saloon, whose defiance of such statutes is proverbial.

Resolved, That we consider the Sunday newspaper, as published in our country, to be of such a character as renders it unsuitable for any Christian to read on the Lord's day, since its tendency is to dissipate religious feeling and fill men's minds with those things that do not contribute to the glory of God or the growth of man's spirit in righteousness.

Resolved, That we recommend our ministers, in the press of other questions, not to overlook the great evils arising from Sabbath desecration, but to instruct their congregations from time to time concerning the necessity of its strict observance in home and State and church.

Resolved, That we record our solemn judgment against the holding of camp-meetings on the Sabbath without such stringent regulations as will prevent all desecration of the sacred day through railroad transportation, and any trucking traffic whatever, so that the religious services of the Lord's day on these occasions shall convey the highest interest of Christian morality and promote the precious cause of spiritual Christianity to the fullest possible extent.—J. M. FULLER, ISAAC E. SPRINGER, L. N. MOON.

[F.]

DISTRESSED CHURCHES.

Your Committee to whom was referred the case of several churches on the Port Huron District would respectfully report:

That the church at Port Austin needs and should have immediate relief to the amount of \$200.

That the Washington Church on Carsonville Ct., is in great need and should have relief to the amount of \$100.

We recommend that the Rev. Jacob Horton, of the District, and Rev. O. Whitmore be a committee to raise this money by solicitation in such manner as they may deem best and apply it to the payment of the indebtedness named.—W. H. SHIER.

[G.]
SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Wild animals grow up without thought or care to all they have within them; the whelp needs no preceptor to teach it to be what its species demand it should be, neither does a robin require a master to teach it its song. But for men and their descendants the record reads: "For he established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel which he commanded our fathers that they should make them known to their children that the generation to come might know them, even the children which should be born, who should arise and declare them to their children, that they might set their hope in God."

The fact of a child's power of thought is a tremendous truth, the incarnate Christ was once a child, lisping, laughing, and thinking like a child, as a child hearing and asking questions, and now has put in the power of his church, denominating it as her special work the care of His little children, putting into her hands as a sacred trust their guileless mind, their pure vision, their simple trust, their tender conscience, to train and form for him.

Your Committee earnestly and strongly emphasize the recommendation that the Bible be used in the Sunday school class, Berean leaves, or no Berean leaves, so that our boys and girls may become better acquainted with it, may know how the book is made up, what books compose the canon of the O. T. and the books that compose the canon of the N. T.

We recommend that the hymns of the church be sung in our Sunday schools. To carry out this, we cordially recommend the use of the Epworth Hymnal as the very best book of Sunday school music for Methodist Sunday schools.

We recommend to the notice of our Sunday school workers the Sunday school department of the Michigan Christian Advocate, one of the best helps to teachers of limited means and resources, especially as it is promised to your Committee that it shall increase in its adaptation to practical teaching.—JAMES M. KERRIDGE, D. R. SHIER, C. W. AUSTIN.

[H.]
TREASURER'S REPORT.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 9, 1886.

Detroit District	\$ 8,336 64
Adrian "	4,903 70
Flint "	3,757 44
Saginaw "	3,054 21
Alpena "	1,193 93
Port Huron "	1,590 83
Marquette "	1,851 00
Sabbath Collections.....	137 14
Methodist Publishing Company.....	500 80
Book Concern Dividend.....	436 00
Chartered Fund.....	30 00
Conference Daily	25 00
Rev. E. H. Brockway, for missions	5 00
Rev. H. W. Wright, " "	5 00
A friend, " "	5 00
Two nameless envelopes.....	28 00
Total	\$25,859 75

The foregoing has been disbursed as follows :

To Missions.....	\$10,758 92
“ Woman’s Foreign Missionary Society.....	2,996 49
“ Church Extension	1,071 10
“ Freedman’s Aid Society.....	1,136 71
“ Education	1,237 01
“ Tract Cause.....	174 65
“ Sunday School Union	257 42
“ Bible Society	311 80
“ Bishop’s Fund.....	1,427 77
“ Conference Claimants	3,968 35
“ Woman’s Home Missionary Society.....	2,065 70
“ General Conference Expenses.....	223 68
“ St. Ignace Church.....	178 65
“ Albion College	20 50
“ Superannuated Endowment.....	31 00
Total	\$25,859 75

J. L. HUDSON, Treasurer.

[I.]

CHURCH EXTENSION.

The Committee on Church Extension most cordially endorses the recommendations found in the reports of previous years on the vast importance of the Church Extension Society as an agency for good to the whole church and to the nation at large. It has not only cheered the hearts and strengthened the hands of many of our devoted workers in the vineyard of the Lord, but it has inspired hope in many new settlements where, for want of means, hope had almost expired. A small grant from the Board and a loan of a few hundred dollars have given new inspiration to many a neighborhood where without such help a place to worship could not have been erected.

The amount reported in our Minutes of last year was \$1,074, being nearly \$200 less than the previous year. The amount of collections this year is \$1,065, being \$9 less than last year.

In our last year’s Minutes there are 76 charges from which there are no returns; the previous year there were 93 from which the Church Extension treasury received no assistance.

The Committee is of the opinion that much more might be raised for this fund if our beloved brethren would sacredly carry out the requirements of our Discipline as found in sections 319 and 320.—WM. H. POOLE, CHAS. SIMPSON.

[K.]

THE FREEDMEN’S AID SOCIETY.

The work of the Freedmen’s Aid Society is the education of the blacks and the illiterate whites of the south, whose history of privation and suffering has deprived them of knowledge and righteousness.

Six millions of blacks, and many millions of whites are residents of our own land, and yet in this awful darkness. But a fraction of them can receive

from the State the simplest rudiments of learning, much less the qualifications of teachers and preachers of the gospel.

The Methodist Episcopal Church, through its Freedmen's Aid Society, has among the blacks 23 institutions of learning, 112 teachers and 4,263 pupils. Among this number 310 pupils are pursuing biblical, and 1,610 normal studies. Among the whites, besides aiding certain established institutions, it has 18 institutions, 57 teachers and 1,822 pupils.

The church expended in this work for the year ending July, 1885, in round numbers, \$175,000. She has supplemented the cry of "a million for missions," with the cry, "*a quarter of a million for Freedmen and others in the South.*" She ought to have it. We, the members of Detroit Conference, heartily respond "Amen," and vow before God that we will talk with our people about this matter and take the needed collection.

Here are people within a few hours ride, and in direct telegraphic communication with New York, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis, the great social, commercial and religious centers of America. They understand and speak our language. They hunger for knowledge and receive, as readily as any people on earth, the truth as it is in Jesus. The church cannot pass them by and fulfill her mission.

We recommend, for the sake of Christ, the church's future in the South, the millions yet unborn, and our nation's welfare, a renewed committal to this holy cause.—ISAAC H. RIDDICK, JESSE KILPATRICK.

[L.]

THE BURNT DISTRICT.

The Committee on the Burnt District beg to report:

That the work confided to them has been prosecuted during the year by Brother Whitmore, and so far complete as to be regarded as practically finished.

Of the two churches reported as to be completed last year, one has been finished, and the other is expected to be completed this autumn.

The whole work performed by your Committee, as continued from year to year since the disastrous fire of 1881, embraces the erection of eighteen churches and three parsonages, costing about \$20,000. Three eligible building sites have also been secured and paid for, on which buildings have not yet been erected. The experience had in every case proves the correctness of the judgment exercised in the selection of sites and in the size and character of buildings erected. No failures have come to our knowledge.

Even during the past year hundreds of souls have been converted in these churches, and interested congregations are worshiping in them, and they promise to be, for years to come, centers of holy influence to the neighborhoods in which they stand.

There is in the hands of the agent \$39.15; due to the agent on mortgage on the Bad Axe parsonage, \$450.00; while the agent owes on loan made, \$400.00, thus leaving a surplus in favor of the work of \$39.15 when the above mortgage is paid.

We respectfully suggest that the work as it now stands be left in the hands of the agent, Brother Whitmore, who, with the aid of the Presiding Elder of the District, will be able to close the matter.

All of which is respectfully submitted.—T. G. POTTER, *Chairman*;
FRANCIS BERRY, *Secretary*.

[M.]

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

It is a well considered sentiment, fortified by material truth, that in the moral and religious reforms of the world there is work for women to do. And as she has risen from a state of nothingness to the chief places in social economy, it has been variously demonstrated that some of the work will remain undone except she be brought to the front. This is especially true of Christian missions.

It is not long ago when woman's work and woman's power were not felt in the Christian church; but for many years, while men, devoting their lives to the uplifting of the heathen, were engaging their hearts of flame and tongues of fire against the hoary systems of heathenism, this right arm of the church lay dormant, and continued so until necessity propelled the pulses of life into every consecrated artery, when this member, so alive at home but so nerveless abroad, commissioned with permission and projected by authority, went out to its kind with medicine for the sick body and bread for hungry souls.

As Methodism multiplies her agencies because of arising necessities, the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, for some time the missing link in missionary work, came into existence to answer needs which had been felt but not yet met. Given a name and a place, it has gone forth to use these God-given opportunities, and right royally has it wrought.

As the parent society has, in many cases, created a literature, we may say that the woman's branch has also created, or largely helped to create, a literature adapted to its peculiar wants. We join in the general rejoicing that rings throughout Methodism, that there is scarcely a Conference which has not within its bounds one of these societies. Within our own Conference it is a pleasure to note that it has grown from small beginnings to one hundred and six auxiliaries, numbering twenty-six hundred members, and that they raised during the year just closing the goodly sum of \$4,126.

We would reaffirm the action of one year ago in expressing the hope that the administration of the ordinances may be given the missionaries of this Society. Recommended by men who have been long in these fields, also by some of our bishops who have personally inspected the work, we unite in the opinion that this Society is accomplishing what no other agency of the church could, and that it would enhance the cause in general should authority to baptize and administer the Lord's Supper be given to female missionaries wherever the customs of the country make it impossible or difficult for men to go.—H. C. NORTHROP, *Chairman*.

[N.]

THE BIBLE SOCIETY.

Resolved, That in view of the malignant attacks made by skeptical speakers and writers upon the Bible, as the inspired word of God, we re-affirm our unswerving confidence in its integrity, and re-consecrate ourselves to a confident defence of its matchless worth.

Resolved, That in the American Bible Society we recognize the most efficient and permanent institution in our land for scattering the word of God, and that we pledge it anew our hearty co-operation and support.

Resolved, That we will present this worthy cause to all our congregations, and at least give them an opportunity to contribute to its support.

Resolved, That we urge consistency on the part of our brethren who vote heartily for these resolutions at Conference, and then go home to do nothing for the cause.—J. F. BERRY, P. R. PARRISH, J. B. GOSS.

[O.]

EDUCATION.

The Committee on Education most respectfully report:

The papers submitted to them for consideration show our educational interests to be in a prosperous and inspiring condition.

Reports from the Board of Trustees of Albion College and the Visiting Committee show a gratifying increase of interest among our people in the institution, and an encouraging degree of prosperity. Constant progress is made in the quality and extent of work. New studies have been introduced and new lines of work taken. Research classes for advance studies have been organized in Biology, Political Science, Social Science, Literature, etc., with the two-fold object of learning how to use text books, and of pursuing work outside the range of these books. Efforts have been made to build up a well supplied Biological Laboratory, which now contains eighteen microscopes and other apparatus. A collection of historical maps, constructed on original plans by Prof. Taylor, and 624 volumes have been added to the library. Books have been donated by several friends of the institution. The alumni have entered upon the endowment of a chair, and about \$4,000 have already been subscribed.

The attempt of Dr. Smart, agent of the Centenary Association, to raise \$25,000 for the endowment of another chair has resulted in securing about \$5000. The financial report shows that the receipts from all sources during the past year are \$21,472.47, and total expenditures \$21,150.42. Arrangements have been made for opening a business department under favorable auspices. The increasing attendance of ladies makes the building of a new hall an urgent necessity.

The term of J. S. Smart and Horace Hitchcock, Esq., as Trustees of Albion College, expires this year. Your Committee respectfully nominate them to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of their term.

The Visiting Committee to Albion College report considerable economy in the financial management of the College, and their warm approval of the new departure inaugurated in the courses and methods of study. Your Committee nominate as Visitors J. S. Joslin, Franklin Bradley and E. W. Ryan.

The report of the Garrett Biblical Institute which has been submitted to your Committee shows that in the past year the institute has enjoyed unexampled prosperity, the junior class being the largest in its history. The report recites that while the chief aim of educating men to be *preachers* is never lost sight of, yet we emphasize the principle that solid and varied scholarship should underlie a complete preparation for the pastoral office. A new building, to be called Memorial Hall, especially in honor of Drs. Dempster, Bannister and Hemenway, is in process of erection and will be finished by January. The cost of the building will be \$38,000, which is already nearly covered by donations and subscriptions. The faculty is equal to any, and your Committee would call attention to that provision of our Discipline of 1884 which makes it the duty of presiding elders and pastors to advise candidates for admission to the Conference to pursue a course of preliminary studies in our theological schools. The report of the Boston School of Theology exhibits that institution in a prosperous condition.

Your Committee would nominate as Conference Visitors to the Garrett Biblical Institute J. S. Smart and James Kilpatrick.

The Board of Managers of the Freedmen's Aid Society has apportioned \$150,000 to the Conferences to be raised this year for Christian education in the southern States. The apportionment for the Detroit Conference is \$3,000, or ten cents per member. To aid our pastors in raising these collections a large chart has been prepared, which will be sent to any on the guarantee that the apportionment shall be raised. Your Committee would

respectfully recommend not only the educational rule of our church in the south, but the method thus provided for raising the apportionment.

The circular letter of the Board of Education, which has been referred to your Committee, first recites the advantages of the system of educational aid embodied in the meeting of the Board. The advantages: The first of these advantages is the awakening of public interest in higher education, and, second, the extension of aid to students who are in need of it. The circular complains that the collections of Children's Day are being perverted from their object, as set forth in the Discipline (1) by a tendency to decorative display; (2), the adoption of miscellaneous rather than relevant exercises; and (3), the division of the pecuniary proceeds to other objects than the Children's Educational Fund. The recital of the wrong suggests the remedy, and your Committee would urge upon our ministers a close adherence to the provision of the Discipline concerning this noble object of Christian benevolence.

A communication from the Student's Christian Association of the University of Michigan has been placed in the hands of your Committee, and some facts have been brought before the Committee, which we consider worthy of attention. One is that of the whole number of students, 1,400, 316 are members of this Christian Association, and 264 are members and adherents of the M. E. Church, which is 78 more than of any other denomination. In view of the importance of Christian earnestness and activity in the University, your Committee suggest that the hearty sympathy and, as far as possible, the co-operation of the Methodist Churches be extended to this Association. The report of the Committee on Education, adopted in 1884, expresses the sentiment of your Committee in these words: "We appreciate very greatly the importance of the plea for such a hall as will afford the needed facilities for the important mission of this Association, and earnestly commend the enterprise to the prayers and liberality of our people."

Concerning the general educational interests of our people, your Committee observe with pleasure:

1. That so many teachers in our public schools are men and women of sound faith, excellent character and zealous devotion to the proper education of the youth of Michigan.

2. That our school system is producing results so valuable as to make our Christian taxpayers feel that the maintenance of these public schools is the best investment of public funds.

3. That while we observe with commendation the prosperity of our secular schools, we heartily and earnestly urge attention to the claims and advantages of our denominational institutions.

4. That it is the duty of the preachers of our Conference to encourage in the youth of our own State the divine call to the ministry, and place them before the unexcelled advantages for preparation which our combined educational interests offer.

5. That we view with gratitude to God the increasing interest in these true principles of education, which alone can save our land from the socialism and infidelity which threaten it, and which education is so essential a factor in the spread of evangelical Christianity.—J. C. WORTLEY, C. B. SPENCER, L. E. LENNOX.

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DETROIT DISTRICT.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.												
		No. of Pro-bat'rs	No. of Full Mem-bers.	No. of Local Prea-chers	No. of D'ths.	No. of Child-ren Bap-tized.	No. of Ad'ls Bap-tized.	No. of Sch'ls	No. of Offi-cers and Teach-ers.	No. of Schol-ars of all ages.	For MISSIONS.			For Board of Church Exten-sion.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Soci-ety.	For Freed men's Aid Soci-ety.	For Educa-tion.	For Am. Bib. Soci-ety.	For Wom-an's For-eign Miss. Soci-ety.	For Wom-an's Home Miss. Soci-ety.	Other Col-lections.	
Belleville.....	L. C. York.....	77.....	2.....	1.....	15.....	112.....	13.....	2.....	15.....	24.....	10.....
Birmingham.....	Geo. W. Lowe.....	6.....	210.....	1.....	32.....	1.....	23.....	265.....	45.....	45.....	7.....	3.....	6.....
Brighton.....	Sammel Bird.....	3.....	58.....	2.....	2.....	19.....	82.....	12.....	12.....
Clarkston.....	7.....	93.....	2.....	15.....	110.....	3.....	3.....
Dearborn.....	S. E. Warren.....	8.....	106.....	.....	2.....	1.....	5.....	4.....	46.....	260.....	51.....	13.....	64.....	3.....	2.....	1.....	3.....	5.....	3.....	75.....	.....	.....
Denton.....	J. A. Lowry.....	45.....	154.....	1.....	4.....	5.....	22.....	4.....	48.....	290.....	75.....	15.....	90.....	13.....	2.....	2.....	15.....	12.....	5.....	99.....	19.....	23.....	
Detroit: Asbury.....	C. E. Mitchell.....	7.....	25.....	1.....	1.....	6.....	.....	1.....	14.....	146.....	10.....	.....	10.....	2.....	.....	.....	3.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.....
“ Cass Avenue.....	W. W. Washburn.....	12.....	218.....	1.....	2.....	10.....	15.....	1.....	30.....	283.....	200.....	60.....	260.....	20.....	.....	.....	25.....	30.....	25.....	82.....	50.....	75.....
“ Central.....	W. S. Studley.....	20.....	808.....	4.....	8.....	17.....	3.....	1.....	74.....	742.....	861.....	300.....	1,161.....	95.....	45.....	17.....	135.....	80.....	30.....	200.....	216.....	2829.....	
“ Fort St.....	P. R. Parrish.....	15.....	218.....	1.....	3.....	11.....	14.....	1.....	32.....	375.....	57.....	71.....	128.....	22.....	1.....	1.....	25.....	23.....	15.....	53.....	32.....	17.....	
“ Palmer.....	Wm. Dawe.....	15.....	275.....	1.....	1.....	23.....	9.....	1.....	42.....	297.....	55.....	20.....	75.....	5.....	.....	.....	5.....	7.....	25.....	126.....	.....	.....
“ Simpson.....	H. C. Northrup.....	22.....	484.....	2.....	4.....	16.....	19.....	1.....	61.....	993.....	237.....	58.....	295.....	30.....	5.....	5.....	30.....	15.....	25.....	168.....	177.....	47.....	
“ Haven.....	C. B. Spencer.....	55.....	188.....	2.....	4.....	35.....	6.....	1.....	39.....	400.....	13.....	17.....	30.....	2.....	1.....	5.....	4.....	9.....	13.....	36.....	15.....	.....
“ Tabernacle.....	E. W. Ryan.....	15.....	270.....	3.....	1.....	10.....	12.....	1.....	29.....	265.....	73.....	.....	73.....	15.....	2.....	1.....	11.....	.....	.....	75.....	.....	.....
“ Wesley.....	L. E. Lennox.....	4.....	77.....	1.....	2.....	11.....	1.....	2.....	23.....	244.....	30.....	15.....	45.....	2.....	1.....	.....	2.....	4.....	.....	.....	5.....	.....
“ Woodward and Lin-c coln Avenues.....	O. W. Willits.....	11.....	59.....	.....	1.....	3.....	8.....	1.....	16.....	134.....	8.....	3.....	11.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.....	.....	10.....	5.....	.....
Flat Rock.....	Wm. Cook.....	2.....	101.....	1.....	8.....	1.....	8.....	3.....	33.....	198.....	53.....	9.....	62.....	6.....	3.....	3.....	6.....	6.....	3.....	25.....	.....	6.....
Greenfield—Grace.....	D. B. Tracy.....	9.....	33.....	.....	.....	2.....	.....	1.....	12.....	120.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.....	.....
“ Memorial.....	D. B. Tracy.....	1.....	26.....	.....	.....	2.....	.....	1.....	75.....	90.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.....	.....
Howell.....	J. S. Joslin.....	6.....	257.....	3.....	2.....	.....	.....	1.....	30.....	250.....	80.....	20.....	100.....	16.....	.....	.....	16.....	9.....	.....	41.....	47.....	.....
Iosco and Marion.....	J. B. Goodson.....	.....	28.....	.....	2.....	3.....	.....	1.....	5.....	30.....	4.....	.....	4.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Leesville and Warren.....	L. L. Houghton.....	4.....	70.....	1.....	.....	7.....	11.....	2.....	24.....	125.....	26.....	3.....	29.....	2.....	.....	.....	2.....	7.....	6.....	.....	.....	3.....
New Boston.....	F. E. Pearce.....	4.....	140.....	1.....	1.....	.....	6.....	3.....	18.....	140.....	40.....	.....	40.....	3.....	.....	.....	2.....	5.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pineckney and North Lake.....	H. Marshall.....	7.....	123.....	.....	.....	.....	8.....	3.....	33.....	157.....	13.....	.....	13.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Plymouth.....	M. W. Gifford.....	5.....	109.....	.....	4.....	.....	1.....	2.....	26.....	175.....	36.....	21.....	57.....	3.....	.....	.....	3.....	4.....	1.....	33.....	15.....	.....
Pontiac.....	C. T. Allen.....	6.....	290.....	3.....	2.....	.....	15.....	1.....	30.....	320.....	170.....	70.....	240.....	26.....	5.....	5.....	20.....	40.....	5.....	84.....	58.....	50.....
Rawsonville.....	John Wright.....	33.....	80.....	.....	1.....	11.....	11.....	3.....	33.....	179.....	3.....	9.....	12.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.....
Redford and Southfield.....	R. C. Lanning.....	1.....	85.....	.....	.....	.....	2.....	1.....	24.....	125.....	25.....	.....	25.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.....	.....	3.....	1.....	.....
Royal Oak.....	Joseph C. Cook.....	2.....	88.....	.....	1.....	.....	.....	1.....	16.....	80.....	16.....	.....	16.....	4.....	.....	.....	4.....	3.....	.....	24.....	.....	.....
Salem.....	J. J. Mills.....	1.....	84.....	.....	.....	3.....	7.....	2.....	16.....	200.....	10.....	.....	10.....	1.....	.....	.....	1.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
South Lyon.....	Franklin Bradley.....	10.....	112.....	.....	2.....	1.....	12.....	2.....	26.....	225.....	50.....	10.....	60.....	2.....	1.....	1.....	7.....	6.....	2.....	65.....	.....	.....
Springwells and Delray.....	S. P. Warner.....	7.....	38.....	1.....	.....	8.....	4.....	2.....	15.....	110.....	2.....	.....	2.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stockbridge and Unadilla.....	D. B. Millar.....	12.....	186.....	1.....	4.....	.....	22.....	3.....	57.....	252.....	74.....	10.....	84.....	14.....	5.....	6.....	14.....	23.....	2.....	40.....	37.....	31.....
Trenton.....	J. M. Shank.....	8.....	72.....	1.....	1.....	10.....	.....	1.....	23.....	123.....	11.....	13.....	24.....	2.....	.....	.....	2.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.....
Wayne.....	J. C. Wortley.....	5.....	120.....	1.....	4.....	1.....	.....	1.....	22.....	115.....	7.....	12.....	19.....	2.....	2.....	1.....	2.....	1.....	1.....	11.....	.....	6.....
Whit. Lake and Northfield.....	S. W. Bird.....	20.....	70.....	.....	2.....	.....	13.....	2.....	33.....	152.....	21.....	.....	21.....	5.....	.....	.....	4.....	4.....	.....	21.....	3.....	6.....
Wyandotte.....	James Rose.....	.....	69.....	1.....	1.....	3.....	.....	1.....	14.....	80.....	10.....	14.....	24.....	1.....	1.....	.....	1.....	6.....	.....	16.....	2.....	.....
Ypsilanti.....	I. E. Springer.....	81.....	434.....	4.....	7.....	7.....	74.....	1.....	32.....	400.....	127.....	153.....	280.....	30.....	10.....	.....	40.....	9.....	5.....	89.....	75.....	50.....
Total .....	.....	469.....	5,935.....	35.....	80.....	237.....	331.....	64.....	1,018.....	8,434.....	2,518.....	921.....	3,449.....	333.....	89.....	48.....	288.....	317.....	166.....	1410.....	782.....	3144.....

DETROIT DISTRICT.	CHURCH AND PARSONAGE PROPERTY.								MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.								MINS. SUPPORT.		
	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for bld'g and improv- ing Churches and Pars'nges.	P'd on old indebtedness on Church Prop'ty.	Present indebt- edness on Church Prop'ty.	Current Expens- es. (sexton, light, fuel,&c.)	PASTORS.			PRES'G ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CON. CLAIM'TS.		For Pastors, Presid- ing Elders and Bishops	For Confer- ence Claim- ants.
									Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Defi- ciencies.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.		
Belleville.....	1	1600	1	1500	.....	.....	100	80	650	458	202	34	26	.....	.....	.....	10	484	10
Birmingham.....	1	15000	1	1000	100	100	100	140	900	800	100	50	50	.....	3	.....	6	853	6
Brighton.....	1	2500	1	400	.....	.....	.....	45	600	480	120	24	20	.....	2	.....	3	502	3
Clarkston.....	2	9700	1	1000	50	.....	30	.....	700	625	75	30	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	625	.....
Dearborn.....	2	2800	1	1000	75	156	.....	85	700	700	.....	34	34	10	.....	22	5	734	6
Denton.....	3	8500	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	167	725	725	.....	40	40	13	13	-25	25	778	25
Detroit: Asbury.....	1	2000	.....	.....	165	.....	.....	63	210	210	.....	8	8	2	2	4	4	220	4
“ Cass Avenue.....	1	22000	.....	.....	80	.....	6300	1300	2000	2000	.....	70	70	24	24	40	50	2094	50
“ Central.....	1	150000	1	11000	908	.....	5000	4030	4000	4000	.....	276	276	95	95	200	257	4371	257
“ Fort St.....	1	6500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	368	1000	1000	.....	66	66	22	22	44	44	1088	44
“ Palmer.....	1	40000	.....	.....	.....	3000	3500	1000	2000	2000	.....	80	80	25	25	50	50	2105	50
“ Simpson.....	1	42000	1	8000	333	412	.....	1417	2200	2200	.....	150	150	40	40	100	150	2390	150
“ Haven.....	1	15000	.....	.....	.....	.....	3000	450	1000	1000	.....	46	46	.....	7	.....	10	1053	10
“ Tabernacle.....	1	40000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1073	2200	2200	.....	100	100	27	17	54	21	2317	21
“ Wesley.....	1	4500	.....	.....	100	205	800	100	1000	1000	.....	32	32	10	3	20	2	1035	2
“ Woodward and Lin- coln Avenues.....	1	1200	.....	.....	1200	.....	.....	74	550	550	.....	8	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	558	.....
Flat Rock.....	1	3000	1	1000	514	.....	14	90	900	900	.....	34	34	10	10	20	15	944	15
Greenfield, Grace.....	1	2500	.....	.....	80	193	.....	60	300	300	.....	10	10	.....	.....	.....	2	310	2
“ Memorial.....	1	5000	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	300	800	.....	10	10	.....	.....	.....	2	310	2
Howell.....	1	3000	1	2000	300	.....	.....	200	1150	1150	.....	80	80	30	20	60	11	1254	11
Iosco and Marion.....	2	3500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	500	318	182	16	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	330	.....
Leesville and Warren.....	2	4500	2	2000	40	80	170	65	600	600	.....	20	20	5	3	10	3	623	3
New Boston.....	3	2500	1	1000	100	.....	.....	100	650	650	.....	46	46	15	6	30	7	702	7
Pinckney and North Lake.....	2	2400	1	1500	.....	.....	.....	700	700	708	.....	43	43	8	.....	18	.....	751	.....
Plymouth.....	2	4000	1	1400	275	.....	.....	200	800	850	.....	40	40	12	4	26	11	894	11
Pontiac.....	1	18000	1	2600	378	.....	.....	706	1680	1680	.....	84	84	30	30	60	73	1794	73
Rawsonville.....	2	2200	.....	.....	84	100	50	30	450	277	173	20	20	8	2	16	3	299	3
Redford and Southfield.....	2	2000	.....	6	50	.....	.....	50	650	650	.....	24	24	8	5	.....	8	687	8
Royal Oak.....	1	1500	1	1200	15	.....	.....	400	550	550	.....	30	30	8	2	18	5	582	5
Salem.....	1	1200	1	500	.....	.....	120	180	375	345	30	28	28	8	2	16	3	375	3
South Lyon.....	2	4500	1	1000	.....	.....	200	400	900	900	.....	36	36	7	5	20	7	941	7
Springwells and Delray.....	2	3000	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	89	473	473	.....	14	2	4	.....	8	.....	475	.....
Stockbridge and Unadilla.....	4	8200	1	1100	950	50	290	139	800	800	.....	56	56	15	15	32	32	871	32
Trenton.....	1	2000	1	1200	.....	.....	.....	50	600	610	.....	24	24	6	2	14	5	636	5
Wayne.....	1	3500	1	1800	55	.....	.....	125	800	656	144	40	37	15	5	32	3	700	3
Whit. Lake and Northfield.....	4	5000	1	2000	328	15	.....	66	600	615	.....	32	32	5	4	18	10	651	10
Wyandotte.....	1	3000	1	1250	50	.....	.....	100	750	550	200	24	24	8	8	16	14	582	14
Ypsilanti.....	1	10000	1	5000	.....	.....	100	200	766	1500	.....	132	132	48	48	96	90	1680	90
Total.....	58	45700	25	53656	6293	11431	22134	19293	36463	35330	1216	1891	1814	518	424	1081	942	38700	942

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		No. of Probats.	No. of Full Mem- bers.	No. of Local Prea- chers.	No. of D'ths.	No. of Child- ren Bap- tized.	No. of Ad'lts Bap- tized.	No. of Sch'ls	No. of Offi- cers and Teach- ers.	No. of Schol- ars of all ages.	FOR MISSIONS.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Society.	For Freed men's Aid Soci- ety.	For Edu- cation.	For Am. Bib. Soci- ety.	For Wom- an's For- eign Miss. Soci- ety.	For Wom- an's Home Miss. Soci- ety.	Other Col- lec- tions.
											From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.									
Addison.....	Alfonzo Crane	1	178	1	4	1	.....	3	46	319	56	8	64	5	3	4	10	7	5	74	17	5
Adrian.....	W. W. Case	44	480	1	5	8	30	1	51	600	173	102	275	60	12	12	20	18	3	78	80	200
Ann Arbor.....	W. W. Ramsey.....	5	505	2	3	3	21	2	53	385	335	100	435	101	12	7	.....	20	8	350	255	.....
Augusta.....	M. H. McMabon.....	18	170	.....	1	5	22	2	28	223	74	18	92	2	.....	1	3	13	1	14	10	8
Blissfield.....	E. A. Bray	10	115	.....	.....	1	6	1	32	225	25	15	40	3	1	1	7	12	2	.....	12	10
Carlton and Schofield.....	W. E. Dunning.....	1	98	.....	.....	1	.....	3	29	139	25	7	32	2	.....	.....	.....	6	1	.....	.....	.....
Chelsea.....	John A. McIlwain.....	14	130	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	23	150	35	15	50	2	1	1	2	2	1	24	7	.....
Clayton.....	W. B. Pope.....	5	108	.....	5	.....	2	2	23	150	37	16	53	1	1	1	1	3	.....	16	6	.....
Clinton and Macon.....	E. P. Peirce.....	2	194	.....	2	3	8	1	18	144	95	5	100	1	1	1	1	7	1	27	11	1
Deerfield and Petersburg.....	D. A. Curtis.....	6	125	.....	5	.....	1	2	30	155	8	8	16	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dexter.....	W. M. Campbell.....	.....	82	.....	2	.....	.....	1	18	123	12	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dixborough.....	Arthur W. Stalker.....	5	86	.....	2	1	.....	2	26	170	30	2	32	6	.....	1	3	.....	.....	11	.....	.....
Dundee.....	D. H. Yocum.....	6	165	1	4	.....	2	2	24	146	48	8	56	3	2	1	11	4	1	.....	4	.....
Fairfield.....	O. F. Winton.....	13	79	.....	1	.....	4	1	8	47	.....	.....	28	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Franklin.....	A. B. Storms.....	10	115	1	.....	2	4	2	26	133	27	.....	27	4	.....	.....	7	8	.....	12	12	2
Grass Lake.....	J. M. Kerridge.....	1	257	.....	4	.....	12	2	42	266	70	12	82	.....	9	.....	5	18	2	26	.....	.....
Henrietta.....	D. W. Gibberson.....	2	90	1	1	4	3	3	38	150	20	.....	20	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	7	.....
Hudson.....	J. L. Hudson.....	15	204	1	3	3	15	1	17	175	70	30	100	16	1	1	16	1	1	48	30	4
Lambertville.....	A. W. Whitecomb.....	3	97	5	1	3	11	3	33	100	15	5	20	2	1	1	1	6	1	10	9	2
Lima and Sylvan.....	T. B. McGee.....	.....	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	29	150	10	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	1	6	1	.....	.....	.....
Manchester and Sharon.....	D. R. Shier.....	15	200	.....	.....	41	.....	3	38	220	83	7	90	9	5	3	8	5	1	53	75	3
Medina.....	Isaac Johnston.....	3	48	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	20	110	9	2	11	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	5	3	.....
Milan and Oakville.....	D. J. Odell.....	12	153	1	3	4	21	4	60	300	28	2	30	.....	1	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....
Monroe.....	C. M. Cobern.....	16	171	.....	4	8	.....	1	19	226	46	4	50	3	1	1	3	3	1	4	51	.....
Morenci.....	J. G. Morgan.....	5	138	.....	1	10	.....	1	25	270	40	20	60	10	2	2	10	7	2	57	8	5
Napoleon and Brooklyn.....	H. W. Wright.....	2	133	1	1	.....	9	1	20	105	11	6	17	5	.....	.....	6	2	.....	.....	2	.....
Palmyra.....	John Wesley .....	.....	97	1	.....	1	.....	1	12	100	15	13	28	2	.....	.....	2	4	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ridgeway.....	W. J. Clack.....	5	136	1	.....	.....	.....	1	23	140	31	9	40	2	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	19	5	5
Saline.....	W. H. Benton.....	4	122	.....	6	9	.....	1	22	150	31	25	56	5	3	2	3	6	.....	18	10	.....
Tecumseh and Raisin Val- ley.....	T. G. Potter.....	5	265	1	4	4	8	1	28	200	66	12	78	7	3	2	3	6	3	46	30	.....
Waterloo.....	Adolph Roedel.....	6	100	.....	3	3	16	2	27	100	20	.....	20	5	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....		234	4881	18	55	55	265	56	928	5879	1573	451	2024	260	59	42	133	175	36	892	644	254

ADRAIN DISTRICT.	CHURCH AND PARSONAGE PROPERTY.								MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.								MINS. SUPPORT.		
	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for bld'g and improv- ing Churches and Par'snges.	P'd on old in- debted- ness on Church Prop'ty.	Present in- debt- edness on Church Prop'ty.	Current Expens- es. (sexton, light, fuel,&c.)	PASTORS.			PRES'G ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CON. CLAIM'TS.		For Pastors, Presid- ing Elders and Bishops	For Con- ference Claim- ants.
									Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Defi- ciencies.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.		
Addison.....	4	13350	1	1500	35			140	800	800		52	52	15	5	39	8	857	8
Adrian.....	1	35000			100			700	2000	2000		135	135	30	30	75	60	2165	60
Ann Arbor.....	2	45000	1	5500	1010	2000	2000	966	3000	3000		170	170	50	50	117	143	3220	143
Augusta.....	2	3500	1	1500	105			100	725	800		42	42	12	12	29	18	854	18
Blissfield.....	1	3000	1	1200	25			100	700	700		40	40	9	3	22	5	743	5
Carlton and Schofield.....	3	6000				65	200		600	600		33	30	9	6		3	636	3
Chelsea.....	1	8000	1	1500	600			75	700	700		38	38	2	2	3	3	740	3
Clayton.....	2	4500	1	750	150		100	65	700	700		37	37	10	4	25	8	741	8
Clinton and Macon.....	2	6000	1	1200	231			128	800	800		65	65	18	4	43	24	869	24
Deerfield and Petersburg...	2	5000	2	1400	25	4	246	120	400	350	50	41	34	7	5	10	4	389	4
Dexter.....	1	2000	1	1000	100		250		450	450		35	22	3	2	5	4	474	4
Dixborough.....	1	1800	1	1000	40			65	660	660		32	32	10	4	10	5	696	5
Dundee.....	2	6000	1	2000	335	300		100	950	950		46	46	13	6	32	7	1002	7
Fairfield.....	2	2700	1	1000	1733			85	600	600		24	24	11	6		5	629	5
Franklin.....	2	4000	1	1000	400			100	750	725	25	42	40	12	2	29	5	767	5
Grass Lake.....	2	10800	1	1500	21			180	1000	1000		74	94	22	12	51	10	1086	10
Henrietta.....	2	3500	1	100	20			50	650	650		32	32	10	5		5	657	5
Hudson.....	1	6000	1	1500	500			175	1050	1050		64	64	15	16	40	40	1130	40
Lambertville.....	2	1300	2	1700	200			30	500	458	42	28	28	6	4	14	9	490	9
Lima and Sylvan.....	3	4400	1	600	40	40		50	580	470	110	20	20		3		4	493	4
Manchester and Sharon.....	3	6000	2	1800	200			250	1000	1000		60	60	16	16	31	20	1076	20
Medina.....	2	3000	1	600	200			50	500	300	200	25	15	4	1	11	1	316	1
Milan and Oakville.....	3	5500	1	1200	1200			200	847	627	220	42	29	5	5	15	5	661	6
Monroe.....	1	30000	1	2000	150		1200	500	1100	1100		52	52	15	5	30	15	1157	15
Morenci.....	1	4000	1	1200	113			150	800	800		42	42	10	10	24	24	852	24
Napoleon and Brooklyn.....	2	5700	1	600				65	590	480	110	43	33	10	7	50	12	520	12
Palmyra.....	1	700	1	600	7			75	500	470	30	24	20	7	1	17	6	491	5
Ridgeway.....	1	12000	1	800	150			175	850	850		46	46	12	12		18	908	18
Saline.....	1	3500	1	3000	350	50	1200	160	800	800		48	48	10	10	10	10	858	10
Tecumseh and Raisin Val- ley.....	1	15000	1	1200	120			306	1150	1150		88	88	20	20	52	10	1258	10
Waterloo.....	1	4000	1	1000	90			25	500	500		32	32	5	5	17	17	537	17
Total	55	261250	32	39950	6250	2459	5196	5135	26252	25540	787	1553	1490	379	272	801	508	27308	508

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PORT HURON DISTRICT.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.												
		No. of Probat's	No. of Full Mem- bers.	No. of Local Prea- chers.	No. of D'ths.	No. of Child- ren Bapt- ized.	No. of Ad'lts Bapt- ized.	No. of Sch'ls	No. of Offi- cers and Teach- ers.	No. of Schol- ars of all ages.	FOR MISSIONS.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Soci- ety.	For Freed men's Aid Soci- ety.	For Edu- cation.	For Am. Bib. Soci- ety.	For Wom- an's For- eign Miss. Soci- ety.	For Wom- an's Home Miss. Soci- ety.	Other Col- lections.	
											From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.										
Adair.....	Wm. Edmunds.....	17	135	2	2	5	3	22	180	26	26	1	2
Algonac.....	J. G. Sparling.....	18	120	1	.....	5	3	1	17	148	17	3	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....
Almont.....	W. C. Way.....	8	123	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	18	60	17	.....	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....
Armada.....	Wm. McAllister.....	26	67	.....	1	.....	9	3	30	160	5	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	5	.....	.....
Attica and Dryden.....	C. W. Barnum.....	20	75	1	3	.....	3	3	30	168	10	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	10
Bad Axe.....	G. A. Walker.....	5	64	.....	.....	10	2	2	14	90	12	3	15	1	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brockway.....	Henry King.....	7	125	1	1	1	.....	4	39	255	10	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	35
Brown City.....	M. B. Diehl.....	2	114	.....	1	1	.....	4	.....	.....	17	.....	17	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Carsonville.....	C. W. Gray.....	35	39	.....	1	2	.....	3	6	60	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Capac.....	W. J. Dobbys.....	5	25	.....	.....	6	4	1	29	106	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Clifford.....	John Rowe.....	4	93	1	.....	1	.....	1	9	40	5	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Crosswell.....	John Bettes.....	16	102	.....	.....	6	10	3	38	230	24	4	28	3	.....	.....	2	3	.....	.....	.....	.....
Downington.....	W. F. Davis.....	13	138	1	1	2	1	3	28	140	11	.....	11	4	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	3
Forester.....	G. W. Carter.....	6	124	.....	2	6	.....	2	18	96	11	.....	11	1	.....	.....	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fort Gratiot.....	G. W. Jennings.....	6	202	.....	2	9	8	1	26	310	30	5	35	2	1	1	2	.....	.....	4	2	.....
Fostoria.....	No Report.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Imlay City.....	T. G. Huckle.....	5	45	.....	1	.....	3	1	15	52	22	.....	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lakeport.....	G. W. Stillwell.....	5	137	1	3	.....	29	4	20	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lexington.....	Austin Wilson.....	1	104	.....	.....	1	.....	2	24	150	20	2	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marine City.....	J. M. Gordon.....	54	108	1	3	18	6	1	35	230	35	.....	35	6	1	1	6	8	2	39	5	.....
Marlette.....	Geo. Nixon.....	5	144	1	1	15	5	4	40	200	22	.....	22	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marysville.....	J. McAllister.....	15	53	.....	.....	6	1	1	10	35	3	.....	3	1	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Meade.....	A. H. Marsh.....	2	61	.....	.....	.....	1	4	24	115	7	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Memphis.....	A. J. Holmes.....	51	110	.....	1	4	27	2	30	240	25	4	29	3	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	5
Metamora.....	J. G. Whitcomb.....	26	150	2	3	.....	.....	3	52	160	20	.....	20	4	4	.....	.....	4	.....	4	3	.....
Minden and White Rock.....	Walter Marks.....	6	35	.....	1	7	.....	2	12	85	4	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Clemens.....	J. F. Berry.....	2	148	.....	2	6	7	1	23	240	25	25	50	6	.....	.....	5	20	4	.....	10	1
Mt. Vernon.....	T. Nichols.....	8	77	.....	.....	13	.....	3	25	125	13	3	16	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Haven.....	John Russell.....	7	79	.....	3	1	.....	3	19	184	20	.....	20	4	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
North Branch.....	A. P. DeLong.....	6	113	2	.....	4	21	2	25	140	11	.....	11	1	.....	.....	1	3	.....	.....	4	.....
Peck.....	S. Bettes.....	67	84	1	3	.....	16	1	7	27	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Port Austin.....	W. C. Clemo.....	11	59	.....	.....	11	.....	5	30	263	19	.....	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....
Port Hope.....	H. G. Persons.....	3	97	1	1	4	2	2	20	95	3	.....	3	1	.....	.....	2	3	.....	.....	.....	1
Port Huron.....	W. J. Campbell.....	8	287	1	5	21	1	1	29	250	19	19	38	5	2	1	6	8	.....	2	.....	.....
Port Sanilac.....	H. Nankervis.....	4	108	.....	.....	3	5	2	16	110	20	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Richmond.....	W. J. Bailey.....	3	99	1	2	1	2	1	12	75	5	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Romeo.....	W. H. Shier.....	18	189	.....	2	1	15	1	28	215	90	34	124	15	5	5	15	8	.....	15	.....	.....
Ruby.....	F. E. York.....	3	130	1	2	8	1	4	41	245	38	2	40	2	.....	.....	2	.....	1	.....	.....	14
Sand Beach.....	F. Coates.....	7	77	.....	1	1	3	1	20	70	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sandusky.....	G. H. Hopkins.....	20	91	.....	1	4	2	2	25	154	4	1	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Clair.....	O. J. Perrin.....	2	165	1	1	4	.....	1	30	200	36	34	70	7	.....	.....	7	9	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tyre.....	A. H. DeLong.....	17	134	1	1	6	8	3	28	185	5	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Washington.....	J. B. Lucos.....	25	151	2	2	.....	.....	3	25	200	30	.....	30	2	.....	.....	2	8	.....	1	1	50
Total.....		569	4581	23	53	169	215	98	988	6187	694	140	834	72	14	8	66	121	7	70	26	125	

PORT HURON DISTRICT.	CHURCH AND PARSONAGE PROPERTY.								MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.								MINS. SUPPORT.		
	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for bld'g and improv- ing Churches and Pars'nges.	P'd on old indebted- ness on Church Prop'ty.	Present indebt- edness on Church Prop'ty.	Current Expens- es. (sexton, light, fuel,&c.)	PASTORS.			PRES'G ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CON. CLAIM'TS.		For Pastors, Presid- ing Elders and Bishops	For Conference Claim- ants.
									Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Defi- ciencies.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.		
Adair.....	4	5800	1	700	115	119	.....	60	500	480	20	33	30	4	1	11	4	511	4
Algonac.....	1	4000	1	1000	10	112	.....	100	700	700	.....	42	42	10	5	15	6	747	6
Almont.....	2	8000	1	1000	650	.....	.....	100	800	600	200	42	30	10	7	15	10	637	10
Armada.....	1	2800	1	700	.....	.....	.....	50	400	322	78	30	30	3	1	8	2	353	2
Attica and Dryden	3	6500	1	500	135	.....	.....	72	600	527	73	37	32	5	2	6	2	561	2
Bad Axe.....	1	2165	1	600	75	100	650	25	700	670	30	36	31	5	3	10	5	704	5
Brockway.....	3	4200	1	800	1150	75	450	35	650	530	120	38	18	7	.....	14	.....	548	.....
Brown City.....	2	2500	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	450	341	109	30	30	2	1	3	1	372	1
Carsonville.....	1	800	.....	.....	.....	.....	225	.....	300	250	50	25	16	4	1	3	1	267	1
Capac.....	1	2000	.....	.....	.....	25	300	50	230	152	78	20	20	2	.....	7	.....	172	.....
Clifford.....	1	600	.....	.....	.....	80	120	.....	500	350	150	31	31	7	1	9	2	382	2
Croswell.....	2	2200	1	500	.....	.....	.....	30	550	540	10	33	33	5	2	10	5	575	5
Downington.....	3	3400	1	500	165	.....	593	15	550	415	135	28	28	4	1	8	2	444	2
Forester.....	2	11000	.....	.....	178	.....	235	15	485	485	.....	32	32	6	1	10	2	518	2
Fort Gratiot.....	1	5000	.....	.....	138	762	560	225	900	900	.....	54	54	9	9	18	10	963	10
Fostoria.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Imlay City	1	5500	.....	.....	.....	251	710	36	660	600	60	36	32	5	.....	10	.....	632	.....
Lakeport.....	2	900	1	400	400	.....	.....	.....	525	475	50	34	34	5	2	9	7	511	7
Lexington.....	3	3500	1	2000	800	.....	.....	100	700	700	.....	48	48	5	1	10	3	749	3
Marine City.....	1	6000	1	3000	6	.....	.....	206	1000	1000	.....	60	60	10	10	10	12	1070	12
Marlette.....	2	2200	1	500	1000	18	.....	25	650	650	.....	40	40	.....	5	.....	2	695	2
Marysville	1	1500	1	500	.....	25	.....	50	525	525	.....	33	33	3	.....	3	1	558	.....
Mcade.....	2	1600	.....	.....	.....	27	150	25	400	335	65	32	32	3	3	.....	.....	370	.....
Memphis.....	2	3500	1	1000	242	.....	391	105	600	544	56	36	32	4	4	6	6	580	6
Metamora.....	3	12000	1	1000	.....	.....	300	75	725	640	85	44	44	5	5	25	7	689	7
Minden and White Rock...	2	3000	1	700	40	.....	350	40	450	400	50	28	28	3	1	5	1	429	1
Mt. Clemens.....	1	5000	1	500	.....	.....	.....	350	1000	1000	.....	60	60	.....	4	.....	9	1064	9
Mt. Vernon.....	2	3500	1	1000	.....	.....	.....	50	500	460	40	36	32	3	3	5	3	495	3
New Haven.....	3	5000	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	30	500	500	.....	32	32	5	5	10	10	537	10
North Branch.....	2	5000	1	1000	43	.....	1129	57	725	725	.....	45	45	5	2	10	3	772	3
Peck.....	1	250	1	400	250	.....	.....	12	400	218	182	24	24	2	2	5	1	244	7
Port Austin.....	2	3200	1	1200	.....	650	.....	38	700	495	205	42	32	.....	1	.....	2	528	2
Port Hope.....	2	6900	1	1100	39	150	350	70	700	630	70	42	40	5	2	7	8	672	8
Port Huron.....	1	37000	1	3000	.....	2400	5000	377	1200	1000	200	78	78	15	10	38	13	1088	13
Port Sanilac.....	3	6500	1	1000	.....	10	240	65	650	625	25	40	38	5	3	10	5	666	5
Richmond.....	1	3000	1	1500	.....	240	324	50	600	400	200	36	24	5	1	10	1	425	1
Romeo.....	1	40000	1	2800	.....	.....	.....	500	1150	1150	.....	72	72	10	10	20	20	1232	20
Ruby.....	3	4000	1	400	525	.....	.....	100	690	665	25	40	38	5	3	10	8	706	8
Sand Beach.....	1	2000	1	1000	75	.....	500	80	700	700	.....	45	45	.....	1	.....	1	746	.....
Sandusky.....	2	2000	.....	.....	50	.....	300	20	350	293	57	30	30	.....	.....	.....	1	323	1
St. Clair	1	15000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	188	1000	1000	.....	65	65	9	9	15	20	1074	20
Tyre.....	3	3800	1	400	.....	21	579	10	400	350	50	24	24	3	.....	5	3	374	3
Washington.....	3	4500	1	500	.....	.....	.....	100	800	800	.....	48	48	.....	3	.....	5	851	5
Total.....	79	250315	31	31200	6121	4415	14106	3436	26615	24142	2473	1661	1567	198	125	370	204	25834	208

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FLINT DISTRICT.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.												
		No. of Probat'rs.	No. of Full Mem- bers.	No. of Local Prea- chers	No. of D'ths.	No. of Child- ren Bap- tized.	No. of Ad'ls Bap- tized.	No. of Sch'ls	No. of Offi- cers and Teach- ers.	No. of Schol- ars of all ages.	FOR MISSIONS.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Soci- ety.	For Freed men's Aid Soci- ety.	For Edu- cation.	For Am. Bib. Soci- ety.	For Wom- an's For- eign Miss. Soci- ety.	For Wom- an's Home Miss. Soci- ety.	Other Col- lections.	
											From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.										
Bancroft.....	C. B. Clark.....	30	120	4	4	7	3	32	300	10	10	3	10	2
Byron.....	J. E. Withey.....	6	95	.....	2	.....	4	2	14	120	33	.....	33	2	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Commerce.....	C. L. Church.....	9	69	.....	.....	1	7	2	12	75	8	.....	8	2	1	1	2	2	.....	4	.....	2
Dansville.....	L. D. Tedman.....	8	124	.....	4	2	40	2	24	120	46	.....	46	10	2	3	10	6	2	.....	.....	.....
Davison.....	S. W. Kennedy.....	2	107	.....	.....	1	7	2	28	183	29	7	36	.....	.....	1	1	6	.....	30	.....	.....
Davisburg.....	C. Simpson.....	3	83	1	1	1	2	1	24	167	16	3	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	.....	11	.....	.....
Farmington.....	W. C. McIntosh.....	5	52	.....	.....	.....	10	1	10	47	34	6	40	3	1	1	5	4	1	1	1	.....
Fenton.....	Joseph Frazer.....	13	243	.....	2	4	27	1	22	215	42	.....	42	6	2	2	5	7	.....	34	33	24
Flint: Court Street.....	I. N. Elwood.....	47	589	2	6	2	45	1	45	450	150	50	200	11	4	3	9	6	15	139	93	7	
" Garland Street.....	H. S. White.....	27	206	1	4	2	14	1	25	220	50	15	65	10	3	3	12	9	2	26	12	.....
Flushing.....	John Sweet.....	6	128	2	2	.....	.....	1	8	125	43	27	70	6	1	2	6	5	2	57	32	.....
Fowlerville.....	Jesse Kilpatrick.....	24	164	1	1	1	20	3	30	300	20	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gaines.....	E. E. Caster.....	50	80	1	1	.....	.....	2	20	160	10	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Goodrich.....	W. M. Ward.....	4	66	.....	3	2	.....	3	23	149	.....	30	30	4	5	1	12	.....	.....	11	.....	.....
Grand Blanc.....	J. B. Goss.....	25	189	1	.....	2	29	2	25	130	167	20	187	2	.....	.....	.....	6	5	39	14	8
Hadley.....	T. P. Barnum.....	10	138	.....	3	.....	42	2	26	167	30	5	35	3	.....	.....	5	7	.....	25	19	27
Hazelton.....	P. G. Wager.....	25	125	.....	1	3	14	3	15	180	20	.....	20	3	.....	.....	4	5	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hartland and Osecola.....	F. W. Warren.....	8	78	.....	.....	1	14	2	19	144	21	3	24	5	.....	.....	5	5	.....	10	6	.....
Highland.....	O. Sanborn.....	3	98	.....	2	1	3	3	32	215	23	2	25	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....
Holly.....	E. B. Bancroft.....	3	146	.....	3	.....	10	1	18	200	35	20	55	7	2	2	10	4	1	47	15	14
Lapeer.....	C. S. Eastman.....	16	230	.....	5	1	11	1	31	230	21	20	41	5	3	2	4	.....	.....	20	.....	.....
Linden.....	C. E. Benson.....	19	208	2	3	.....	1	4	41	210	49	.....	49	1	.....	.....	2	3	2	33	.....	60
Milford.....	J. H. Kilpatrick.....	2	288	.....	2	23	12	1	39	286	42	14	56	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	91	35	.....
Mt. Morris.....	M. H. Bartram.....	5	191	1	2	1	2	2	28	250	57	.....	57	3	.....	.....	4	7	.....	64	.....	.....
Northville.....	J. M. VanEvery.....	12	169	.....	3	4	19	1	16	210	45	5	50	5	1	1	5	6	1	27	10	.....
Oak Grove.....	J. A. Rowe.....	5	120	.....	.....	1	.....	4	35	230	38	.....	38	4	1	.....	4	1	.....	1	2	.....
Ortonville.....	J. D. Hubbel.....	3	86	.....	1	.....	.....	2	30	170	20	.....	20	3	.....	.....	7	7	2	44	44	.....
Otisville.....	C. W. Austin.....	3	84	1	5	.....	6	3	31	180	10	.....	10	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	13	.....	.....
Parshallville.....	Eugene Yager.....	12	111	.....	.....	2	16	2	24	160	48	12	60	.....	.....	.....	12	6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Perry.....	John Hamilton.....	6	193	2	1	.....	.....	4	51	270	56	.....	56	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pine Run.....	Horace Palmer.....	.....	84	.....	1	.....	.....	2	30	189	11	.....	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....
Seymour Lake.....	J. J. Hodge.....	5	65	.....	1	.....	2	3	23	134	24	2	26	5	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	1	.....	.....
Swartz Creek.....	Calvin Gibbs.....	.....	108	.....	.....	1	.....	2	27	160	18	2	20	3	1	1	4	5	4	8	.....	25
Vernon.....	J. D. Holliday.....	9	213	.....	1	.....	23	2	36	207	57	.....	57	.....	1	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	9	4
Walled Lake.....	Frederick Strong.....	11	136	1	3	.....	5	2	39	230	20	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	1	6	.....	10	.....	.....
Webberville.....	J. H. Caster.....	46	94	.....	1	.....	13	2	19	105	16	.....	16	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
Williamston.....	Wm. Newey.....	10	142	.....	1	.....	3	3	30	170	8	8	16	2	.....	.....	2	7	.....	.....	.....	.....
Woodhull.....	J. J. Tieknor.....	1	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	14	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....		477	5377	16	69	59	409	81	996	7178	1327	251	1578	114	28	23	156	158	39	769	854	179	

FLINT DISTRICT.	CHURCH AND PARSONAGE PROPERTY.								MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.								MINS. SUPPORT.		
	No. of Churches.	Prob-able Value.	No of Par-son-ages.	Prob-able Value.	Paid for bld'g and improv-ing Churches and Par'snges.	P'd on old in-debted-ness on Church Prop'ty	Present in-debt-ness on Church Prop'ty	Current Expen-ses. (sexton, light, fuel,&c.)	PASTORS.			PRES'G ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CON. CLAIM'TS.		For Pastors, Presid-ing Elders and Bishops	For Confer-ence Claim-ants.
									Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Defi-ciencies.	Appor-tioned.	Paid.	Appor-tioned.	Paid.	Appor-tioned.	Paid.		
Baucroft	2	4000	1	1200	10	1100	1200	50	728	800	.....	36	36	11	8	15	2	844	2
Byron	1	1500	1	1000	12	.....	.....	40	600	499	105	36	36	11	2	22	3	532	3
Commerce	1	1000	1	300	.....	.....	.....	30	525	425	100	28	28	8	2	10	8	455	8
Dansville	1	2500	.....	.....	261	.....	.....	106	765	765	.....	32	32	11	9	22	10	806	10
Davison	2	6000	.....	.....	.....	.....	800	100	700	700	.....	36	36	9	.....	18	3	736	2
Davisburg	1	4000	1	1000	21	67	306	90	700	700	.....	32	32	9	5	18	8	737	8
Farmington	1	2500	1	1000	30	.....	.....	52	550	550	.....	30	30	7	7	14	14	587	2
Fenton	1	10000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250	800	800	.....	36	36	12	12	30	10	848	10
Flint: Court Street	2	15000	1	2000	.....	.....	600	1100	1700	1700	.....	100	100	35	26	100	46	1826	45
“ Garland Street	1	5000	1	2500	120	.....	.....	300	1000	1000	.....	44	44	16	10	32	20	1054	20
Flushing	1	10000	1	1200	3000	.....	.....	150	1000	1000	.....	46	46	18	12	32	20	1058	20
Fowlerville	1	300	1	1500	50	.....	30	150	900	900	.....	42	42	4	4	9	9	946	9
Gaines	2	3500	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	125	800	800	.....	38	38	1	1	5	5	840	5
Goodrich	3	6700	1	600	20	108	.....	90	675	675	.....	30	30	11	5	22	20	710	20
Grand Blanc	3	4500	1	600	1200	.....	.....	100	900	900	.....	48	48	20	10	40	15	908	15
Hadley	2	5000	1	1000	175	.....	40	90	800	800	.....	40	40	14	5	28	18	845	18
Hazeltou	2	2500	1	800	40	.....	.....	55	700	700	.....	32	32	10	10	20	10	742	10
Hartland and Osceola	2	4000	1	1200	.....	.....	.....	95	580	580	.....	30	30	9	9	18	7	619	7
Highland	4	6000	1	1000	900	.....	1500	125	700	700	.....	32	32	12	4	24	10	736	10
Holly	1	4800	1	1200	150	.....	.....	150	810	810	.....	40	40	14	14	28	11	864	11
Lapeer	1	6000	.....	.....	50	350	.....	146	1050	1050	.....	54	54	16	7	32	11	1111	12
Linden	3	7700	.....	.....	.....	150	.....	239	850	775	75	40	43	17	12	32	14	830	14
Milford	1	10000	1	1800	50	.....	.....	216	1150	1150	.....	54	54	8	3	25	8	1206	8
Mt. Morris	2	10000	1	800	5000	200	.....	80	825	825	.....	42	42	.....	4	.....	5	871	5
Northville	1	8000	1	2000	6000	2000	.....	132	950	950	.....	40	40	12	12	24	10	1017	10
Oak Grove	2	4000	1	600	130	.....	.....	100	700	700	.....	32	32	9	3	18	8	735	8
Ortonville	2	6000	1	800	100	.....	90	140	675	675	.....	32	32	11	7	22	12	714	12
Otisville	1	2000	1	1000	160	.....	.....	60	600	575	25	32	28	.....	3	.....	3	606	3
Parshallville	2	6000	1	500	76	.....	500	100	600	600	.....	24	24	.....	3	.....	4	627	4
Perry	2	6500	1	500	70	.....	240	215	1000	920	80	44	44	.....	5	25	13	969	13
Pine Run	2	2800	.....	.....	.....	150	.....	60	450	390	60	20	20	8	.....	16	6	410	1
Seymour Lake	2	4200	1	800	175	.....	.....	30	750	650	100	28	24	8	4	10	5	628	5
Swartz Creek	2	7000	1	800	115	190	300	120	800	800	.....	38	38	8	5	12	6	843	6
Vernon	2	8000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	850	800	.....	40	40	8	8	16	23	898	23
Walled Lake	2	5600	.....	.....	100	52	47	150	800	700	100	36	32	8	4	16	8	736	8
Webberville	1	2000	1	800	24	182	15	45	560	560	.....	24	24	5	3	10	5	587	5
Williamston	2	5000	1	1500	650	.....	375	105	725	700	25	38	38	10	2	20	6	740	6
Woodhull	2	3500	1	400	.....	.....	.....	.....	350	270	80	39	39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	66	205800	29	31400	19980	2549	8237	5586	29618	28904	801	1445	1426	358	239	785	390	30275	278

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SAGINAW DISTRICT.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.											
		No. of Prob'at'rs.	No. of Full Mem- bers.	No. of Local Prea- chers.	No. of D'ths.	No. of Child- ren Bap- tized.	No. of Ad'lts Bap- tized.	No. of Sch'ls	No. of Offi- cers and Teach- ers.	No. of Schol- ars of all ages.	FOR MISSIONS.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Soci- ety.	For Freed men's Aid Soci- ety.	For Edu- cation.	For Am. Bib. Soci- ety.	For Wom- an's For- eign Miss. Soci- ety.	For Wom- an's Home Miss. Soci- ety.	Other Col- lections.
											From Chur- ches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.									
Bay City: Fremont Ave.....	R. Woodhams.....	40	136	.....	1	41	11	1	28	249	47	28	75	7	3	3	18	10	3	93	30	.....
" Washington Av.	J. E. Jacklin.....	15	306	1	5	22	3	1	38	325	97	80	177	30	2	3	35	15	.....	60	38	130
Bennington.....	R. D. Robinson.....	5	100	.....	1	2	1	1	12	90	52	.....	52	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46	.....
Bridgeport.....	F. A. Haynes.....	3	49	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	13	60	8	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11	.....	.....
Caro.....	I. H. Riddick.....	9	193	.....	3	4	11	3	25	230	50	25	75	6	3	2	4	.....	.....	.....	23	.....
Caseville.....	J. B. Russel.....	9	47	1	3	.....	3	2	20	200	14	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cass City.....	J. H. McCune.....	1	146	3	2	4	4	1	10	60	25	10	35	3	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chesaning.....	Samuel Gilchriese.....	39	98	.....	4	2	35	1	23	110	15	3	18	1	.....	.....	1	1	.....	25	10	.....
Corunna.....	W. W. Benson.....	4	135	.....	1	.....	1	2	28	190	30	5	35	1	1	.....	4	6	.....	.....	12	5
East Saginaw: Hess St.....	N. N. Clark.....	34	166	1	3	37	27	1	25	225	40	15	55	6	1	1	7	6	1	1	10	.....
" Jefferson St.	C. H. Morgan.....	18	336	.....	2	13	8	1	43	416	100	50	150	30	6	6	35	20	2	70	.....	45
Freeland.....	B. C. Moore.....	11	68	1	2	4	2	1	10	65	8	.....	8	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Henderson.....	J. B. Oliver.....	8	190	1	2	7	11	4	40	350	51	7	58	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	3	.....
Ingersoll.....	J. R. Beach.....	10	116	1	1	1	.....	5	45	225	45	.....	45	6	.....	.....	6	6	.....	4	.....	3
Kingston.....	G. E. Sloan.....	22	103	2	1	1	8	3	32	180	22	3	25	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Laingsburg.....	A. G. Blood.....	15	169	1	1	.....	8	2	34	261	70	5	75	10	.....	.....	15	6	.....	58	.....	5
Mayville.....	Nathaniel Dickey.....	4	152	.....	2	11	.....	2	18	95	15	.....	15	1	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Midland.....	C. M. Thompson.....	17	148	.....	.....	2	5	3	25	250	25	5	30	1	1	1	1	5	.....	.....	.....	.....
Millington.....	James Balls.....	6	86	.....	.....	1	2	1	15	104	13	.....	13	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oakley.....	C. C. Garnett.....	2	33	.....	.....	.....	1	2	15	60	5	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orion.....	L. N. Moon.....	18	160	1	2	1	27	2	15	150	65	.....	65	5	3	3	5	8	.....	.....	5	.....
Owosso.....	Thomas Stalker.....	4	171	2	.....	1	3	1	30	196	25	25	50	10	2	2	10	18	.....	13	15	.....
Oxford.....	H. W. Hicks.....	.....	109	2	3	1	.....	2	30	176	21	.....	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	7	3	.....	.....	4
Reese.....	P. C. J. McAuley.....	4	55	1	.....	.....	4	2	23	145	16	1	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	11	3
Rochester.....	John P. Fryer.....	4	105	.....	2	6	2	1	17	100	30	.....	30	6	1	1	6	3	1	.....	1	.....
Saginaw City: Ames.....	S. A. Oliver.....	5	45	.....	2	5	3	3	13	180	18	2	20	1	2	1	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
" Washington Av.	James Venning.....	4	210	1	8	8	12	1	33	200	63	12	75	7	.....	.....	7	.....	2	.....	15	.....
St. Charles.....	Benjamin Reeve.....	11	86	2	1	3	8	3	15	110	12	1	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Taym'th and Indian Miss'n	J. W. Holt.....	.....	60	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Troy and Big Beaver.....	Duke Whitely.....	.....	70	.....	1	2	.....	2	22	125	30	.....	30	1	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tuscola.....	Wm. Will.....	3	57	.....	1	5	5	1	12	60	17	3	20	.....	2	.....	2	3	.....	.....	.....	.....
Unionville.....	F. L. Osborne.....	63	54	1	.....	2	.....	2	20	135	.....	8	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	25	.....
Utica.....	R. L. Cope.....	14	127	.....	4	6	13	1	19	83	7	21	28	1	1	1	1	21	1	.....	.....	.....
Vassar.....	E. W. Frazee.....	21	178	.....	1	3	1	2	34	300	36	14	50	8	1	1	5	3	5	.....	.....	.....
Watrousville.....	F. A. Smart.....	54	176	1	3	8	51	2	25	185	40	24	64	10	1	1	10	6	1	14	10	1
Total.....		467	4440	25	62	203	270	63	807	5895	1112	347	1459	156	30	26	174	167	21	349	254	196

SAGINAW DISTRICT.	CHURCH AND PARSONAGE PROPERTY.								MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.								MINS. SUPPORT.		
	No. of Churches.	Probable Value.	No. of Parsonages.	Probable Value.	Paid for bld'g and improving Churches and Parsonages.	P'd on old indebtedness on Church Prop'ty.	Present indebtedness on Church Prop'ty.	Current Expenses. (sexton, light, fuel,&c.)	PASTORS.			RES'G ELDER.		BISHOPS.		CON. CLAIM'TS.		For Pastors, Presiding Elders and Bishops	For Conference Claimants.
									Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Deficiencies.	Appor-tioned.	Paid.	Appor-tioned.	Paid.	Appor-tioned.	Paid.		
Bay City: Fremont Ave....	1	3000	1	2000	60			115	1200	1200		70	70	12	12	30	30	1280	30
“ Washington Av.	1	15000	1	3000	3000		3500	500	1800	1800		120	120	20	20	66	66	1940	60
Bennington.....	1	2700	1	600		100		75	700	700		50	50	2	2	10	10	762	10
Bridgeport.....	1	2000						72	450	412	38	32	32	2		8	8	444	8
Caro.....	2	5700	1	2500	300		200	125	1025	1025		65	65	12	12	25	25	1102	25
Caseville.....	1	4000	2	2000				30	600	500	100	40	34	2		8	7	533	7
Cass City.....	1	3000	1	700			109	75	700	675	25	35	35	7	4	12	3	717	3
Chesaning.....	1	2500	1	1000	148			100	700	700		45	45	6	2	8	3	742	3
Cornuna.....	1	4000	1	1000	30	100		120	800	800		40	40	7	7	12	12	847	12
East Saginaw: Hess St.....	1	4000	1	1100	75			140	958	958		50	50	8	8	20	14	958	14
“ Jefferson St.	1	40000	1	1500	130	4000	2800	1359	1200	1200		125	115	20	20	60	60	1345	60
Freeland.....	2	3000	1	800		100	650	50	675	500	175	32	28	5		10	3	528	3
Henderson.....	4	6400			25	200		120	650	650		50	50	9	9	24	24	709	24
Ingersoll.....	1	2100	1	500			350	25	500	500		25	25	5	5	7	7	530	7
Kingston.....	1	1200	1	670	200	368	150	25	550	460	90	25	25					485	
Laingsburg.....	2	5000	1	800	100			150	800	800		50	50	6	5	18	11	855	11
Mayville.....	2	4000	2	900	500	18	150	60	650	531	119	46	35		2		3	568	3
Midland.....	1	7000				197	497	100	835	835		40	44		1		5	880	5
Millington.....	1	1500	1	500				50	550	550		36	36	6	6	8	6	592	5
Oakley.....									300	219	81	16	12	2		2		231	
Orion.....	1	6000	1	1600	500	300	100	125	800	800		50	46	8	5	25	17	855	17
Owosso.....	1	5000	1	1500	92		300	135	1150	1150		42	42	10	6		11	1198	11
Oxford.....	1	6500	1	1500				150	700	700		60	60		2		11	762	11
Reese.....	1	2000			255			60	350	350		30	30	4	4	7	2	384	2
Rochester.....	1	4000	1	1000		31	350	80	700	625	75	36	36	6	6	10	10	667	10
Saginaw City: Ames St.....	3	4600			66		375	25	660	500	160	25	20	4	2	7	5	500	5
“ Washington Av.	1	40000	1	7500	9000			350	1750	1750		100	100	15	15	50	50	1865	50
St. Charles.....	1	3000	1	600	25		60	50	575	372	203	25	22	4	2	7	6	396	6
Taym'th and Indian Miss'n	1	50							200	200		20	29	4	2			200	
Troy and Big Beaver.....	2	4500	1	600				80	550	520	30	36	37	7	4	7	3	570	3
Tuseola.....	1	1000	1	400		124	167	42	400	400		25	25	4		6	4	425	4
Unionville.....	2	4000	1	700	30		550	25	675	525	150	40	40	3		8		565	
Utica.....	1	4500	1	1500		745		135	765	765		40	40	6	5	8	8	810	8
Vassar.....	1	6000	1	2000	100	325	750	125	1110	1110		60	60	12	12	25	10	1172	10
Watrousville.....	2	5300	1	300	557	200	150	140	700	700		35	35	8	8	15	15	743	15
Total.....	46	212550	30	38970	15193	6808	11208	4813	26728	25392	1336	1616	1583	222	186	497	440	7152	440

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MARQUETTE DISTRICT.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.											
		No. of Pro-bat'rs.	No. of Full Mem-bers.	No. of Local Prea-chers.	No. of D'ths.	No. of Child-ren Bap-tized.	No. of Ad'ls Bap-tized.	No. of Sch'ls	No. of Offi-cers and Teach-ers.	No. of Schol-ars of all ages.	FOR MISSIONS.			For Board of Church Exten-sion.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Soci-ety.	For Freed men's Aid Soci-ety.	For Educa-tion.	For Am. Bib. Soci-ety.	For Wom-an's For- eign Miss. Soci-ety.	For Wom-an's Home Miss. Soci-ety	Other Col-lections.
											From Chur-ches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.									
Atlantic and Hurontown.....	Philip Lowry.....	14	60	5	.....	24	.....	2	31	199	19	7	26	1	2	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	1	.....
Calumet.....	J. M. Fuller.....	187	227	4	2	47	6	1	50	500	163	.....	463	18	8	5	16	21	21	54	25	46
Champion.....	A. W. Wilson.....	3	63	1	.....	23	.....	1	20	226	18	18	36	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Detour.....	A. A. Wood.....	1	38	.....	3	14	1	2	12	43	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	2	.....
Donaldson and Zion.....	James Pascoe.....	7	57	.....	.....	20	2	4	17	120	6	4	10	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Escanaba.....	H. M. Thompson.....	8	46	.....	.....	40	10	1	12	110	15	3	18	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	5	.....
Grand Marias.....	John S. Hemstoeck.....	.....	3	.....	.....	8	.....	1	3	20	5	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hancock.....	Geo. W. Hudson.....	6	117	3	1	18	2	2	29	204	20	20	40	8	2	.....	8	10	.....	10	12	.....
Hannahville Indian Miss'n	Peter Marksman.....	17	30	1	3	4	.....	1	5	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....
Houghton.....	W. E. Bigelow.....	4	39	1	.....	4	.....	1	11	70	13	10	23	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Humboldt and Michigam'e.	J. A. Ambler.....	.....	11	.....	5	12	1	2	12	95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	7	.....	.....	11	.....
Iron Mountain.....	J. S. Mitchell.....	14	120	2	1	23	.....	1	27	225	9	29	38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Iroquois Indian Mission and Bay Mills.....	W. M. Hewitt.....	.....	15	2	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ishpening.....	G. H. Hastings.....	12	285	4	1	67	1	2	41	509	88	12	100	13	6	3	7	10	6	.....	11	42
Lake Linden.....	J. P. Varner.....	48	149	1	2	20	8	1	15	200	30	20	50	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	23	11	.....
L'Anse, Pequaming and Indian Mission.....	J. L. Walker.....	1	86	4	2	17	2	2	10	60	15	2	17	2	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....
Manistique.....	R. Pattinson.....	12	32	.....	.....	8	.....	1	12	137	.....	5	5	2	.....	.....	2	6	.....	2	2	
Marquette.....	A. R. Bartlett.....	6	147	1	1	5	.....	1	20	200	35	35	70	3	2	3	5	20	10	5	10	5
Menominee.....	James Ivey.....	4	24	.....	1	3	1	1	11	66	10	.....	10	2	.....	.....	3	.....	2	8	2	
Munising Indian Mission...	Thos. Nahbenayash.....	.....	45	1	2	2	.....	1	2	18	4	1	5	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Negaunee.....	G. C. Squire.....	41	87	6	.....	26	5	1	17	160	18	2	20	3	.....	.....	2	3	.....	11	.....
Newberry and Dollarville...	Charles Holden.....	.....	8	.....	.....	1	.....	1	10	50	5	.....	5	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Norway and Quinnesec.....	A. S. Fair.....	5	72	5	.....	25	1	3	26	230	40	.....	40	1	.....	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	5	.....
Osceola and Allouez.....	Leonard Hazzard.....	6	126	2	.....	44	1	2	32	249	44	.....	44	2	1	.....	2	4	.....	10	2	
Pewabic.....	T. G. Omans.....	7	139	.....	2	16	.....	1	31	350	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Phoenix and Central Mine...	S. Polkinhorn.....	47	120	4	1	33	.....	2	33	290	8	2	10	2	.....	.....	2	1	.....	1	2	.....
Pickford.....	Ralph Williams.....	20	61	1	.....	8	2	4	17	100	10	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....
Republie.....	John Evans.....	11	65	.....	2	14	1	2	33	235	10	5	15	.....	2	2	6	9	.....	8	5	
Rockland and Greenland...	Geo. Tucker.....	2	60	.....	3	1	1	2	28	167	3	13	16	2	.....	.....	1	5	.....	7	2	
Sault Ste. Marie.....	Geo. H. Whitney.....	10	93	1	1	7	4	1	17	113	27	.....	27	5	.....	.....	3	6	.....	10	.....
St. Ignace.....	O. Whitmore.....	6	39	2	.....	2	4	1	11	85	6	4	10	2	2	.....	1	.....	.....	8	.....
Stephenson.....	E. G. Symons.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	5	32	12	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	Total.....	499	2474	51	34	526	53	49	600	4983	633	192	827	71	25	21	75	147	38	95	179	113

MARQUETTE DIS- TRICT.	CHURCH AND PARSONAGE PROPERTY.								MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.								MINS. SUPPORT.		
	No. of Chur- ches.	Prob- able Value.	No of Par- son- ages.	Prob- able Value.	Paid for bid'g and improv- ing Chur- ches and Pars'nges.	P'd on old in- debted- ness on Church Prop'ty.	Present indebt- edness on Church Prop'ty.	Current Expen- ses. (sexton, light, fuel,&c.)	PASTORS.			PRES'G ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CON. CLAIM'TS.		For Pastors, Presid- ing Elders and Bishops	For Confer- ence Claim- ants.
									Claims, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Receipts, including House Rent, or Rental Value of Parsonages.	Defi- ciencies.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.	Appor- tioned.	Paid.		
Atlantic and Hurontown...	1	4500			25			80	785	785		50	50	6	3	12	8	838	8
Calumet.....	1	10000			700	20	120	396	1296	1296		100	100	12	12	35	35	1408	35
Champion.....	1	4000			60			170	800	634	166	45	45	6		12	3	679	3
Detour.....	2	300			75			4	110	55		10	10	2	1			121	
Donaldson and Zion.....	2	450	1	360	30			12	*350	380		25	25	3	3	5	5	408	5
Escanaba.....	1	2500	1	1500			1000	75	800	800		44	44	5	5	8	8	849	8
Grand Marias.....									200	80	120	20	15	3		4		95	
Hancock.....	1	6000	1	1500			650	160	1200	1200		55	55	7	7	20	5	1262	5
Hannahville Indian Miss'n									50	50		10	10	1	1			61	
Houghton.....	1	2000	1	1000	40	50	135	175	1050	1050		50	50	6	6	18	9	1106	9
Humboldt and Michigam'e..	1	800							183			12	9	2		3		192	
Iron Mountain.....	1	3000	1	1000	190	25	90	163	1000	1000		50	50	6	6	10	6	1056	6
Iroquois Indian Mission and Bay Mills.....	1	25	1	250	6					*63		10	10	1	1	2	2	74	2
Ishpeming.....	1	5000	1	1000	1523			200	1200	1200		100	100	12	12	30	30	1312	30
Lake Linden.....	1	9000			6000		3000	250	1000	1000		60	60	7	7	20	20	1067	20
L'Anse, Pequaming and In- dian Mission.....	2	4000	1	700			800	75	*1000	766	234	80	80	10	4	15	1	850	1
Manistique.....								50	500			40	40	3	2	5	3	542	3
Marquette.....	1	20000	1	3000	60		40	290	1300	1300		90	90	10	10		15	1400	15
Menominee.....	1	2000			100			68	550	417	133	30	23	3	2	5	5	442	5
Munising Indian Mission...												18	18	2	2	2	2	20	2
Negaunee.....	1	6000	1	2000				425	1100	1010	90	80	63		4	10	5	1077	5
Newberry and Dollarville...	1	1000	1	400	52	12	150	20	*500	282	218	12	12	1	1	3	2	295	2
Norway and Quinncsec.....	3	3500	2	1500	750	16	100	150		913		60	60		4	10	10	977	10
Osceola and Allouez.....	2	5000	1	1000	460		300	150	*855	855		48	48	6	6	8	8	909	8
Pewabic.....	1	2000	1	500															
Phoenix and Central Mine..	4	4700	1	400	120			200	600	600		50	50	6	2	10	3	652	3
Pickford.....	1	600	1	550			450	30	400	400		24	24	2	2	4	4	426	4
Republic.....	1	3000	1	1700		38		153	1020	1020		60	60	7	3	3	4	1083	4
Rockland and Greenland...	1	1000			400			55	555	555		48	48	5	5	8	8	608	8
Sault Ste. Marie.....	1	1800	1	2000	325	150	700	100	*800	810		40	40	4	4	8	8	854	8
St. Ignace.....	1	2500	1	800	30	887	674	55	800	800		24	24	3	3	6	6	827	6
Stephenson.....	1	600					113												
Total.....	37	105275	20	21160	10946	1198	8422	3511	19876	19559	1016	1345	1313	141	118	276	215	21490	215

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ALPENA DISTRICT.	NAMES OF PASTORS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.											
		No. of Probat'rs.	No. of Full Mem- bers.	No. of Local Prea- chers.	No. of D'ths.	No. of Child- ren Bap- tized.	No. of Ad'ls Bap- tized.	No. of Sch'ls	No. of Offi- cers and Teach- ers.	No. of Schol- ars of all ages.	FOR MISSIONS.			For Board of Church Extension.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Soci- ety.	For Freed men's Aid Soci- ety.	For Edu- cation.	For Am. Bib. Soci- ety.	For Woman's For- eign Miss. Soci- ety.	For Woman's Home Miss. Soci- ety.	Other Col- lections.
											From Chur- ches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.									
Alcona and Black River.....	G. S. Weir.....	25	14	.....	.....	3	.....	2	10	80	16	.....	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Alpena.....	J. H. McIntosh.....	90	110	1	2	5	6	1	20	248	55	20	75	5	3	2	10	3	5	.....	10	12
Au Gres.....	M. E. Lyons.....	3	19	2	.....	.....	.....	2	20	110	5	5	10	2	.....	.....	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cheboygan.....	R. H. Balmer.....	12	148	.....	2	24	17	1	20	230	27	13	40	1	1	.....	4	5	.....	.....	5	150
Churchill.....	J. T. Richardson.....	30	66	.....	2	2	13	4	27	147	10	.....	10	1	.....	.....	1	4	.....	.....	1	.....
East Tawas.....	N. G. Lyons.....	68	188	1	.....	25	21	1	26	362	44	45	89	15	4	4	10	12	5	.....	25	5
Gaylord.....	G. N. Kennedy.....	54	68	.....	.....	8	6	2	20	145	10	6	16	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Grayling and Frederick.....	G. M. Bigelow.....	22	41	2	1	1	8	3	23	165	10	7	17	2	1	2	3	6	1	.....	.....	2
Greenbush.....	Jesse Robins.....	7	24	.....	.....	21	1	5	35	140	30	.....	30	2	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	5
Harrisville.....	T. B. Leith.....	80	118	1	2	27	21	1	11	100	20	10	30	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hollowell.....	J. W. Hollowell.....	5	24	.....	.....	2	.....	7	33	153	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Indian River.....	F. S. Ford.....	20	39	.....	1	.....	1	3	13	87	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Long Rapids.....	J. H. Richardson.....	66	38	2	7	5	24	2	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oscoda and Indian Mission	J. I. Nickerson.....	58	194	.....	2	26	17	1	32	275	100	10	110	10	1	1	11	2	1	.....	31	58
Otsego Lake.....	J. W. Taylor.....	4	21	.....	.....	5	.....	1	5	33	5	.....	5	.....	2	.....	2	4	.....	.....	.....	1
Pinconning and Saganing Indian Mission.....	C. E. Hill.....	17	126	5	2	20	3	4	30	124	11	4	15	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Riggsville.....	E. F. Warner.....	8	55	3	.....	8	2	4	19	138	8	1	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roscommon.....	G. Sanderson.....	8	33	.....	1	2	3	2	10	50	10	.....	10	1	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sterling and Maple Ridge..	F. D. Ling.....	16	30	1	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	10	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tawas City.....	W. J. Balmer.....	25	100	1	1	12	30	2	18	110	20	5	25	6	2	.....	6	10	.....	.....	10	3
Vanderbilt.....	W. M. D. Riggs.....	38	23	.....	1	3	4	2	22	79	7	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Bay City.....	M. C. Hawks.....	11	150	.....	.....	9	13	1	17	165	41	15	56	5	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Branch.....	C. B. Steele.....	4	71	.....	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	.....	17	2	.....	1	3	.....	1	.....	.....	2
Whitmore.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Woodside Ave. and Banks..	P. J. Wright.....	5	50	.....	2	9	4	2	20	135	5	1	6	1	.....	.....	1	4	1	1	1	.....
Total.....	.....	676	1750	19	29	225	194	53	444	3076	461	142	603	59	14	10	71	52	14	2	87	239

ALPENA DISTRICT.	CHURCH AND PARSONAGE PROPERTY.								MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.								MINS. SUPPORT.		
	No. of Churches.	Prob-able Value.	No of Par-son-ages.	Prob-able Value.	Paid for bld'g and improv-ing Churches and Pars'nges.	P'd on old in-debted-ness on Church Prop'ty.	Present in-debt-ness on Church Prop'ty.	Current Expen-ses. (sexton, light, fuel,&c.)	PASTORS.			PRES'G ELDERS.		BISHOPS.		CON. CLAIM'TS.		For Pastors, Presid-ing Elders and Bishops	For Confer-ence Claim-ants.
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Alcona and Black River.....	2	1500	1	300	60	40	*550	500	50	40	38	2	2	4	2	540	2
Alpena.....	1	8000	1	1000	100	300	350	300	*950	1150	60	60	10	10	21	15	1220	15
Au Gres.....	.....	.....	1	1000	200	.....	200	.....	*400	400	.....	30	30	2	2	4	2	432	2
Cheboygan.....	1	5000	1	1500	1200	165	.....	125	*950	950	.....	60	60	10	2	19	8	1012	8
Churchill.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250	178	72	12	12	1	1	2	2	191	2
East Tawas.....	1	5600	1	1600	2000	.....	.....	200	*1050	1050	.....	60	60	12	12	21	30	1122	30
Gaylord.....	1	1600	.....	.....	.....	.....	400	60	500	500	.....	25	25	2	.....	4	4	525	4
Grayling and Frederick.....	1	2000	.....	.....	.....	110	400	20	415	315	100	20	25	2	2	4	4	342	4
Greenbush.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	500	532	.....	20	31	2	3	2	4	566	4
Harrisville.....	1	3000	1	1500	.....	.....	.....	200	*1000	1000	.....	40	40	9	5	19	6	1045	6
Hollowell.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	54	54	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	54	.....
Indian River.....	1	1600	1	400	.....	200	350	.....	*500	260	240	12	4	2	.....	2	.....	264	.....
Long Rapids.....	1	1500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	480	310	160	15	15	2	2	.....	5	327	5
Oscoda and Indian Mission	1	8500	1	1300	600	.....	.....	130	*1050	1050	.....	61	72	11	11	20	20	1133	20
Otsego Lake.....	1	1200	.....	.....	61	.....	.....	34	430	430	.....	20	20	.....	.....	2	2	450	2
Pinconning and Saganing Indian Missions.....	3	3200	.....	.....	.....	80	125	13	425	410	15	40	40	2	2	5	5	452	5
Riggsville.....	1	500	1	400	40	.....	.....	4	340	280	60	12	11	2	2	3	3	293	3
Roscommon.....	1	1000	1	400	400	.....	285	20	350	295	55	20	23	1	1	4	4	319	4
Sterling and Maple Ridge..	2	2200	1	400	.....	73	257	20	400	285	115	28	25	3	2	5	2	312	2
Tawas City.....	2	3200	.....	.....	400	.....	.....	140	650	650	.....	40	40	6	6	13	13	696	13
Vanderbilt.....	1	900	.....	.....	10	104	300	8	400	134	266	5	4	2	.....	1	.....	138	.....
West Bay City.....	1	22000	1	2500	12000	.....	5700	200	*1200	1200	.....	80	80	11	11	25	25	1291	25
West Branch.....	1	1700	.....	.....	1600	.....	.....	20	500	500	.....	25	25	3	3	5	5	528	5
Whitmore.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Woodside Ave. and Banks..	2	3700	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	35	650	450	200	32	23	2	1	4	2	470	2
Total.....	26	77900	12	12300	18611	1032	8427	1599	13994	12883	1333	757	763	99	80	189	163	13722	163

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RECAPITULATION.

DISTRICTS.	MEMBERSHIP.				BAPTISMS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.											
	No. of Pro- bat'rs.	No. of Full Mem- bers.	No. of Local Prea- chers.	No. of D'ths.	No. of Child- ren Bap- tized.	No. of Ad'ls Bap- tized.	No. of Sch'ls .	No. of Offi- cers and Teach- ers.	No. of Schol- ars or all ages.	FOR MISSIONS.			For Board of Church Exten- sion.	For Sunday School Union.	For Tract Soci- ety.	For Freed men's Aid Soci- ety.	For Edu- ca- tion.	For Am. Bib. Soci- ety.	For Wom- an's For- eign Miss. Soci- ety.	For Wom- an's Home Miss. Soci- ety.	Other Col- lec- tions.
										From Chur- ches.	From Sunday Schools.	Total.									
Detroit	469	5835	35	80	237	331	66	1018	8434	2518	921	3449	333	89	48	288	317	166	1410	782	3144
Adrian	234	4881	18	55	55	265	56	928	5879	1573	451	2024	260	59	42	133	175	36	892	644	254
Flint	477	5377	16	69	59	409	81	996	7178	1327	251	1578	114	28	23	156	158	39	769	261	179
Saginaw	467	4440	25	62	203	270	63	807	5895	1112	347	1459	156	30	26	174	167	21	349	254	196
Port Huron.....	569	4581	23	53	169	215	98	988	6187	694	140	834	72	14	8	66	121	7	70	26	125
Alpena	676	1745	19	29	225	194	53	444	3076	461	142	603	59	14	10	71	52	14	2	87	239
Marquette	499	2474	51	34	526	53	49	600	4983	633	192	827	71	25	21	75	147	38	95	149	113
Total	3391	29333	187	382	1474	1737	466	5781	41632	8318	2444	10774	1065	259	178	963	1137	321	3587	2203	1250
Last Year.....	2446	28030	193	354	1199	1206	436	5865	39599	8556	2343	10900	1074	160	125	935	1387	359	3249	2141	3432
Increase	945	1303	28	275	531	30	416	2033	101	99	53	28	338	62
Decrease.....	6	238	126	9	250	38	2182

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Detroit	56	455100	25	53656	6293	11431	22134	13293	36463	35330	1216	1891	1813	518	424	1081	942	38700	942	
Adrian	55	261250	32	39950	6250	2459	5196	5135	26252	25540	787	1553	1490	379	272	801	508	27306	508	
Flint	66	205800	29	31400	19980	2549	8237	5586	29618	28904	801	1445	1426	358	239	785	370	30275	390	
Saginaw	46	212550	30	38970	15193	6808	11208	4813	26728	25392	1336	1616	1583	222	186	497	440	27152	435	
Port Huron	79	250315	31	31200	6121	4415	14106	3438	26615	24142	2473	1661	1567	198	125	370	204	25834	208	
Alpena	26	77900	12	12300	18611	1032	8427	1599	13994	12883	1333	757	763	99	80	189	163	13722	163	
Marquette	37	105275	20	21160	10946	1198	8422	3511	19876	19559	1016	1345	1313	141	118	276	215	21490	215	
Total	365	1568190	179	228636	83394	29892	77730	37373	179546	171750	8962	10298	9955	1915	1444	3919	2842	184479	2861	
Last Year	353	1502615	169	215705	89644	19714	71553	41010	176908	167670	10509	10249	9677	1580	1349	2990	2769	178696	2769	
Increase	12	65575	10	12931	10178	6177	2638	4080	49	278	335	95	1009	73	5783	92	
Decrease	6250	8637	1547	

REGISTER

DETROIT CONFERENCE.

(As modified at adjournment, September 16, 1885.)

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“Div.” in the sixth column, indicates that such members fell into the Detroit Conference by the division of 1856.

All who joined the Detroit Conference in full connection had at least two years of prior service as preachers on probation. Those who joined other Conferences may have done very many years of service before coming here.

The fifth column shows time of admission to full membership, *not of reception on trial.*

JOHN McELDOWNEY, *Secretary,*
Detroit, Michigan.

NAME.	BORN.		ADMITTED TO FULL CONNECTION.		Came to Detroit Conference.	POST OFFICE.
	Where.	When	Church or Conference.	When		
Allen, Alfred	Penn	1819	Michigan....	1845	Div	Williamston.
Allen, Charles T.....	Michigan ..	1841	Detroit	1870	.....	Pontiac.
Allington, William.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Anderson, Charles Miller..	New York...	1820	Troy.....	1854	Div	Commerce.
Austin, Charles W.....	New York...	1838	Detroit	1866	.....	Goodrich.
Bailey, Wm. J.....	Canada .....	.....	Detroit	1881	.....	Mount Vernon.
Balls, James.....	England	1828	Detroit	1868	.....	Bridgeport.
Balmer, Robert H.....	Canada	1853	Canada.....	1879	1884	Cheboygan.
Bancroft, Edward B.....	Michigan ..	1856	Detroit	1882	.....	Detroit.
Barnes, Lemon.....	Canada	1830	Detroit	1868	.....	Adrian.
Barnum, Theodore F.....	New York...	1851	Detroit	1882	.....	Vernon.
Barnum, Charles W.....	New York...	1848	Detroit	1883	.....	Attica.
Bartlett, Alanson Roots...	New York...	1827	Michigan....	1853	Div	Marquette.
Bartram, M. H.....	Ohio	1849	Detroit	1882	.....	Mount Morris.
Baskerville, Thomas H....	New York...	1845	Detroit	1873	.....	Detroit.
Bell, Andrew.....	.....	.....	Michigan....	.....	Div	Ann Arbor.
Benedict, George B.....	.....	.....	Detroit	1884	.....	.....
Benson, William.....	New York...	1820	Michigan....	1849	Div	Adrian.
Benson, Charles E.....	Canada	1846	Niagara.....	1870	1882	Linden.
Benson, William W.....	Canada	1836	Niagara.....	1859	1882	Corunna.
Benton, Wm. Hart.....	Louisiana ..	1836	Detroit	1863	.....	Saline.
Berry, Francis.....	Canada .....	.....	Canada.....	.....	1880	Ortonville.
Berry, Joseph Flint.....	Canada	1856	Detroit	1876	.....	Detroit.
Bettes, John .....	.....	.....	Detroit	1883	.....	Croswell.
Bigelow, Andrew Jackson	New York...	1832	Detroit	1857	.....	East Saginaw.
Bigelow, Guy M.....	Michigan ..	1859	Detroit	1885	.....	Davison.
Bigelow, Wm. Enos.....	New York...	1820	Michigan....	1843	Div	Houghton.
Bird, Robert.....	England.....	1821	Michigan....	1848	Div	Birmingham.
Bird, Samuel.....	Ireland.....	1821	Detroit	1861	.....	Brighton.
Birdsall, William.....	New York...	1816	Detroit	1857	.....	Flint.
Blades, Francis Asbury....	Maryland ..	1821	Michigan....	1846	Div	Detroit.
Blood, Alva G.....	Michigan ..	1842	Detroit	1877	.....	Laingsburgh.
Bourns, Alfred Francis....	Michigan ..	1836	Detroit	1863	.....	Ann Arbor.
Bradley, Franklin.....	Illinois .....	.....	Detroit	1874	.....	South Lyon.
Bray, Edward A.....	.....	.....	Detroit	1882	.....	East Tawas.
Brockway, Edwin H.....	New York...	1825	Detroit	1856	.....	Mason.
Brown, Henry Newton.....	England.....	1821	Michigan....	1848	Div	Detroit.
Brown, Samuel Joshua....	New York...	1829	Detroit	1868	.....	Croswell.
Burnett, Wm. Q.....	England.....	1824	Detroit	1858	Tecumseh.
Calkins, Sylvester.....	Michigan....	Div	South Lyon.

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Campbell, Wm. John.....	England.....	1829	Detroit	1862	Port Huron.
Campbell, Wm. M.....	New Brun...	Congr'nal...	1858	1875	Chelsea.
Carter, George W.....	Meth. Prot..	1884	Dryden.
Case, W. W.....	1885	Adrian.
Casler, David.....	New York...	1840	Detroit	1871	Marquette.
Caster, Elisha Ezra.....	New York...	1836	Detroit	1859	Fenton.
Caster, James Harvey.....	New York...	1818	Michigan....	1858	Div
Challis, Dewitt C.....	New York...	1845	Detroit	1877	Bulgaria.
Church, Charles Lewis.....	Penn.....	1838	Detroit	1863	Waterloo.
Clack, Wm. J.....	England	1834	Detroit	1862	Ridgeway.
Clark, N. Norton.....	Maine	1841	Detroit	1874	Fowlerville.
Clark, Charles B.....	Meth. Prot..	1885	Bancroft.
Clements, Samuel.....	New York...	1817	Michigan....	1851	Div	Ann Arbor.
Clough, Albert B.....	Michigan...	1837	Detroit	1867	Oakley.
Coates, Frederick.....	Detroit	1876	Ruby.
Colbern, Camden M.....	Penn.....	1855	Eric.....	1876	1883	Detroit.
Cook, William.....	England	1835	Pr. Meth ..	1855	1882	Flat Rock.
Cope, Robert L.....	Canada.....	1848	Wesleyan ..	1873	1875	Utica.
Crane, Alfonso.....	Michigan....	1848	Detroit	1879	Henderson.
Crane, Rufus Cullen.....	New York...	1824	Michigan....	1853	Div	Greenville.
Craven, Edwin.....	England.....	1848	Detroit	1875	Seymour Lake, Da.
Crippen, John Wesley.....	Michigan....	1833	Detroit	1859	Ann Arbor.
Curnalia, James Henry.....	New York...	1836	Detroit	1862	Mount Vernon.
Curtis, David A.....	New York...	1820	Michigan....	1846	Div	Deerfield.
Davis, George R.....	Detroit	1869	Pekin, China.
Davis, Lewis P.....	Michigan....	1839	Detroit	1875	West Bay City.
Davis, George S.....	Detroit	1883
Dawe, William.....	England.....	1848	Detroit	1876	Detroit.
Dean, Lyman Haines.....	New York...	1829	Detroit	1857	Detroit.
Dean, Salem A.....	Canada.....	1855	Can. M. E...	1879	1883	Meadville, Pa.
De Long, Allen P.....	Detroit	1884	North Branch.
De Long, Arthur H.....	Ohio	1862	Detroit	1884	Brown City.
Dickey, Nathaniel.....	Canada.....	Canada.....	1883	Mayville.
Diehl, Menno B.....	Detroit	1886	Lakeport.
Donnelly, Wm.....	Penn	1808	Detroit	1854	Alpena.
Donelson, Ira W.....	Michigan....	1855	Pontiac.
Dunlap, James A.....	Michigan....	1843	Detroit	1871
Dunning, Walter Edson...	Michigan....	1843	Detroit	1871	Albion.
Eastman, Charles S.....	Illinois	Can. M. E...	1862	1880	Detroit.
Edmunds, Wm.....	Detroit	1886	Adair.
Edwards, Arthur.....	Ohio	1834	Detroit	1860	Chicago.*
Elwood, Isaac Newton.....	New York...	1843	Detroit	1869	Flint.
Evans, John.....	England.....	England....	1884	Republie.
Fair, Alex. Scott.....	Canada.....	1840	Detroit	1869	Norway, L. S.
Fiske, Lewis Ransom.....	New York...	1825	Michigan....	1857	1866	Albion.
Frazee, Elias Wetmore.....	New Brun...	1841	Canada W...	1862	1868	Vassar.
Frazer, Joseph.....	Ireland	1840	Detroit	1868	Fenton.
Fryar, John P.....	Canada.....	1885	East Saginaw.
Fuller, James M.....	Vermont....	1807	N. England	1830	1870	Calumet.
Gage, Rodney.....	Mass.....	1821	N. England	1855	1866	Orion.
Gardner, Thomas C.....	New York...	1820	Michigan....	1845	Div	Flint.
Gee, Alexander.....	Michigan....	1828	Detroit	1858	Carlton.
Gibbs, Calvin.....	Michigan....	1836	South Ill....	1866	1873	Byron.
Giberson, Daniel W.....	Canada.....	1840	Detroit	1876	Napoleon.
Gifford, Myron W.....	Canada.....	1851	Can. M. E...	1874	1882	Plymouth.
Gilchriese, Samuel.....	Detroit	1883	Chesaning.
Goodson, J. B.....	Detroit	1886	Howell.
Gordon, John M.....	New York...	1834	Detroit	1865	Washington.
Goss, Joel Byington.....	Michigan....	1843	Detroit	1870	Grand Blanc.
Hagadorn, Wesley.....	N. H.....	1838	Detroit	1863	Lansing.
Halliday, J. D.....	Canada.....	1851	Detroit	1885	Hancock.
Hamilton, John.....	New York...	1835	Detroit	1871	Birmingham.
Hammond, Daniel W.....	Michigan....	1838	Detroit	1860	Vernon.
Hastings, George H.....	N. H.....	1847	Vermont....	1876	1882

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Hawks, Matthew C.....	Detroit	1881	Detroit.
Hedger, Benjamin H.....	N. Jersey....	1811	Michigan.....	1855	Div	Detroit Da.
Hickey, Manassch.....	New York....	1820	Michigan.....	1848	Div	Detroit.
Hicks, Henry W.....	New York....	1837	Meth. Prot.	1860	1868	Clarkston.
Higgins, Theron Clint.....	New York....	1819	Detroit	1858	.....	Algonac.
Hill, Charles E.....	.....	.....	Detroit	1883	.....	Pinconning.
Hodge, John J.....	.....	.....	Detroit	1876	.....	Haselton.
Hodgkiss, Harvey.....	New York....	1818	Wesleyan....	1845	1868	Williamston.
Holmes, Alex. J.....	New York....	1845	Detroit	1880	.....	Memphis.
Holt, Joseph Warren.....	Conn.....	1819	Michigan.....	1848	Div	Taymouth.
Hood, Hiram.....	New York....	1818	Genesee.....	1846	1859	Birmingham.
Horton, Jacob.....	Michigan....	1840	Detroit	1865	.....	Port Huron.
Houghton, Levi Liberty..	New York....	1837	Detroit	1869	.....	Warren.
Hoyt, Almon F.....	Vermont.....	1849	Detroit	1876	.....	New Orleans, La.
Hubbell, James D.....	Canada.....	.....	Canada.....	.....	1883	Otisville.
Huckle, Thomas G.....	England.....	.....	England.....	.....	1882	St. Clair.
Hudson, James L.....	Michigan....	1844	Detroit	1866	.....	Hudson.
Hudson, Geo. W.....	W. Virginia	1848	East Maine.	1880	1883	Northville.
Ivey, James.....	.....	.....	Detroit	1885	.....	Menominee.
Jacklin, James E.....	Michigan....	1847	Detroit	1877	.....	Flint.
Jacokes, Daniel C.....	New York....	.....	Michigan.....	1842	Div	Pontiac.
Jennings, George W.....	.....	.....	Detroit	1883	.....	Fort Gratiot.
Johnston, Isaac.....	Ireland.....	1819	Wesleyan ..	1851	1867	Medina.
Johnson, Peter O.....	New York....	1817	Michigan.....	1850	Div	Minneapolis, Minn.
Johnson, J. Milton.....	New York....	1844	Detroit	1873	.....	Detroit.
Joslin, John S.....	New York....	1836	Detroit	1866	.....	Howell.
Joslin, Thomas Jeff	New York....	1829	Michigan.....	1854	Div	Adrian.
Kerridge, J. Mileson.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Grass Lake.
Kennedy, George N.....	.....	.....	Detroit	1885	.....	Gaylord.
Kennedy, James W.....	Ohio.....	1854	Detroit	1885	.....	Perry.
Kilpatrick, James H.....	New York....	1844	Detroit	1872	.....	Milford.
Kilpatrick, Jesse.....	Ohio.....	1831	Detroit	1859	.....	Caro.
Kimmell, Samuel Bell	Penn.....	1826	Detroit	1872	.....	Sauk Centre, Minn.
King, Henry.....	England.....	1834	Baptist.....	.....	1884	Brockway Centre.
Klumph, Erastus.....	New York....	1815	Detroit	1857	.....	Elm.
Laing, Aaron R.....	Michigan....	1838	.....	1865	.....	.....
Lanning, Robert C.....	New York....	1820	Meth. Prot.	1844	1868	Bell Branch.
Lee, Luther.....	New York....	1800	Genesee.....	1829	1867	Flint.
Leith, Thomas B.....	Canada.....	.....	Canada.....	.....	1884	Richmond.
Lennox, Lambert E.....	.....	.....	Detroit	1881	.....	.....
Lowe, George W.....	Michigan....	1836	Detroit	1860	.....	Dearborn.
Lowry, James A.....	.....	.....	Detroit	1884	.....	Denton.
Lowry, Philip.....	England.....	1858	Detroit	1884	.....	Atlantic.
Lucas, J. B.....	.....	.....	Detroit	1886	.....	Marine City.
Lyon, George Marcus	New York....	1829	Meth. Prot.	1868	1869	.....
Lyons, Nelson G.....	Michigan....	1845	Detroit	1876	.....	West Bay City.
Macauley, Patrick E. J.....	.....	.....	Detroit	1886	.....	Vanderbilt.
Marks, Walter.....	.....	.....	Detroit	1883	.....	Tyre.
McAllister, James.....	.....	.....	Detroit	1885	.....	Marysville.
McConnell, Richard.....	Ireland.....	1820	Michigan.....	1846	Div	Port Huron.
McCune, John H.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Cass City.
McEldowney, John	Ireland.....	1824	Wesleyan....	1846	1867	Detroit.
McFawn, David.....	.....	.....	Detroit	1879	.....	Arizona.
McGee, Thomas B.....	.....	.....	Detroit	1882	.....	Munith.
McIlwain, John A.....	New York....	1831	Detroit	1865	.....	Wayne.
McIntosh, John H.....	Canada.....	1834	Detroit	1870	.....	Alpena.
McMahon, Michael H.....	Scotland....	1843	Detroit	1884	.....	Stony Creek.
Merrill, Henry A.....	.....	.....	N. W. Ind..	.....	1881	.....
Millar, David B.....	Scotland....	1840	Detroit	1873	.....	Stockbridge.
Mitchell, Joseph S.....	England.....	.....	England.....	.....	1883	Champion.
Moon, Lewis Nelson.....	Michigan....	1849	Detroit	1876	.....	Orion.
Moore, Benjamin C.....	New York....	.....	Canada.....	.....	1882	Watrousville.
Morgan, Josiah George....	Michigan....	1836	Detroit	1867	.....	Morenci.
Morgan, Charles H.....	Detroit	1881	East Saginaw.
Morton, James H.....	Scotland....	1833	Meth. Prot.	1862	1875

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Nankervis, Henry.....	England.....	1844	Detroit	1876	Port Sanillae.
Newey, William.....	Detroit	1886	Williamston.
Newton, Newell.....	New York.....	1824	Genesee.....	1856	1868	Fowlerville.
Nichols, Thomas.....	Canada.....	1834	Detroit	1862	Troy.
Nickerson, J. J.....	Detroit	1886	Oscoda.
Nixon, George.....	1874	..	Marlette.
Noble, James Richard.....	England.....	1824	Detroit	1860	Wayne.
Northrup, Henry C.....	Mass.....	1843	Detroit	1875	Lapeer.
Odell, Daniel J.....	Michigan....	1836	Detroit	1873	Milan.
Oliver, John B.....	Detroit	1881	Bennington.
Oliver, Samuel A.....	Canada.....	1856	Detroit	1885	East Saginaw.
Omans, Thomas G.....	Michigan....	1832	Prot. Meth.	1860	1870
Osborn, Frank L.....	1885	Unionville.
Owen, George W.....	Ohio.....	1827	Detroit	1860	Detroit.
Palmer, Horace.....	Michigan....	1843	Detroit	1872	Lima.
Parker, Henry O.....	New York....	1829	Detroit	1856	Ionia.
Parker, Jacob E.....	Penn.....	1816	Michigan....	1845	Div	Washington, D. C.
Parrish, Perry R.....	Ohio.....	Detroit	1883	Detroit.
Pattinson, Robert.....	Meth. Prot.	1884	Pickford.
Pearce, Francis E.....	Ohio.....	1847	N. Indiana..	1871	1872	New Boston.
Pearson, George L.....	Canada.....	1858	Detroit	1882	Arizona.
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Polkinhorn, Stephen L.....	Detroit	1884	Central Mine.
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Richards, And. Jackson.....	New York....	1831	Detroit	1866	West Bay City.
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Taylor, George.....	England.....	1810	Genesee.....	1838	Div	Lansing.
Taylor, Wm.....	England.....	1817	Michigan.....	1843	Div	Lansing.
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Thompson, Calvin M.....	Canada	1853	Can. M. E.....	1876	1883
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Walker, George A.....	Detroit	1882	Bad Axe.
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Warner, S. P.....	1884	Detroit.
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Warren, Squire Ethan.....	Michigan.....	1825	Detroit	1862	Wyandotte.
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Winton, Orton F.....	Michigan.....	1855	Detroit	1881	Addison.
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Woodhams, Roland	England.....	1846	Detroit	1874	Bay City.
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Yager, Eugene.....	Wisconsin...	1882	Parshallville.
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RULES OF ORDER

As Adopted in 1869, Modified in 1875, and Adopted at Each Session Since.

1. The Conference shall meet at 8½ o'clock A. M., and adjourn at 12 M., but may alter the time of meeting and adjourn at its discretion.

2. The President shall take the chair precisely at the time to which the Conference stood adjourned, and cause the same to be opened by reading the Scriptures, singing and prayer, and shall have the journals of the preceding day read and approved.

3. The President shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference; but, in case of an appeal, the question shall be taken without debate.

4. He shall appoint all committees not otherwise specially ordered by the Conference, but any member may decline serving on more than one committee at the same time.

5. All motions and resolutions introduced by any member shall be reduced to writing, if the President, Secretary, or any member of the Conference requests it.

6. When a motion, resolution or report presented, is read by the Secretary, or stated by the President, it shall be deemed in possession of the Conference, but any motion or resolution may be withdrawn by the mover at any time before action or amendment.

7. No new motion or resolution shall be made before the one under consideration has been disposed of, which may be done by adoption or rejection, unless one of the following should intervene, which motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are placed, viz.: Indefinite postponement, lying on the table, reference to a committee, postponement to any given time, or amendment.

8. No member shall be interrupted when speaking, except by the President, to call him to order when he departs from the question, uses personalities, or disrespectful language; but any member may call the attention of the President to the subject when he deems the speaker out of order, or any other member may explain when he thinks himself misrepresented.

9. When any member is about to speak in debate, or deliver any matter to the Conference, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address himself to the President.

10. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject, or more than fifteen minutes at one time, without leave of the Conference; nor shall any person speak more than once until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

11. When any motion or resolution shall have passed, it shall be in order for any member who voted with the prevailing side to move a reconsideration.

12. No member shall absent himself from the services of the Conference without leave, unless he is sick or unable to attend.

13. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the bar of the Conference at the time such question is put by the President, except by leave of Conference, when such member has been necessarily absent.

14. Every member who shall be within the bar at the time the question is put, shall give his vote, unless the Conference, for special reasons, excuse him.

15. No motion shall be considered unless seconded.

16. The Secretary shall keep a journal of the proceedings of the Conference, and, when approved, shall record them in a book provided for that purpose. He shall take charge of the journal and other papers of the Conference, and preserve them with care; suffer no person to take a copy of any paper during the interval of Conference, except with the consent of the Conference; and shall forward the journal and papers to the next Annual Conference.

17. A motion to adjourn shall be in order at any time, and shall be decided without debate.

18. No preacher shall bring any charge against any member of this Conference, until he has first given him information of the same, either by letter or otherwise, ten days in advance, if practicable, so that the accused may have an opportunity for defense.

19. When any brother intends to object to the passage of another's character, it shall be his duty to hand the name of the person against whom objections are to be made to the President of the Conference.

20. Two-thirds of the members present, and voting, may order the previous question on a pending motion.

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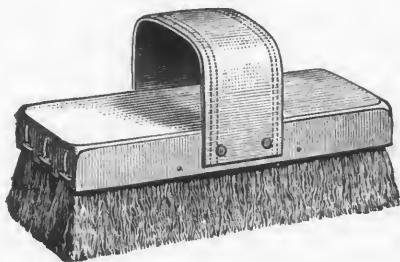
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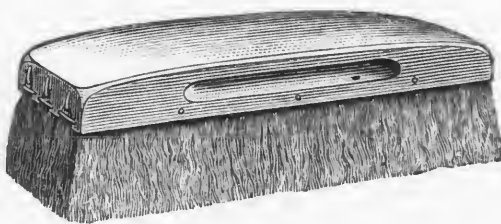
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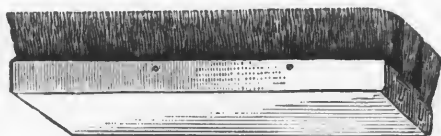
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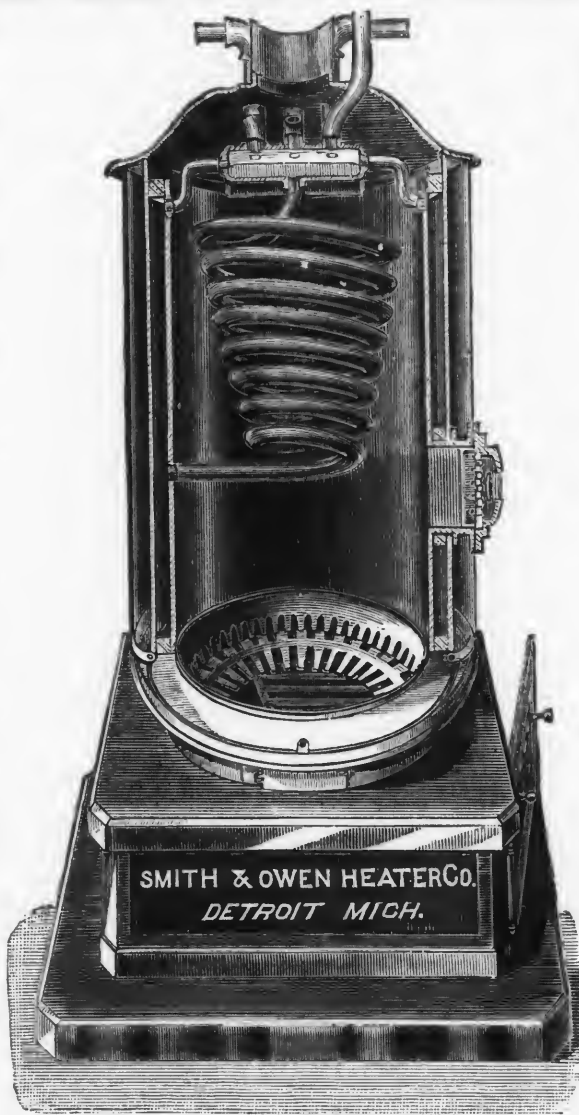
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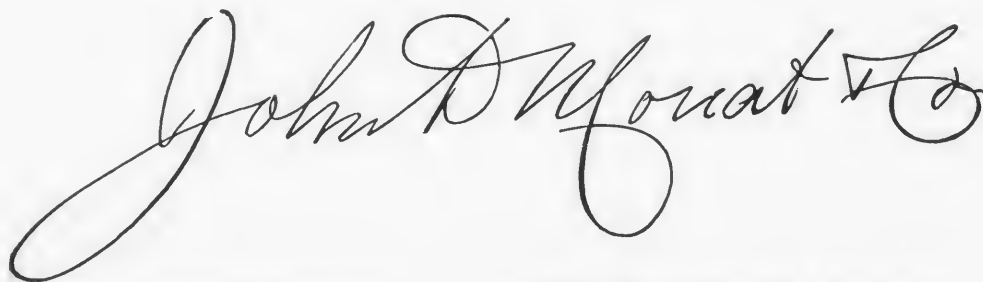
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